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## TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

### THE NORTH SEA "BATTLE."

#### NOT A WORD OF TRUTH IN RECENT REPORTS.

#### German-Inspired Peace Talk in America.

#### YOUNG TURKS DEMAND 300,000 GERMAN TROOPS.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph,"]

#### Further Russian Captures.

April 13, 1,20 a.m.  
A Petrograd official message states:—  
We repulsed, on the 10th inst., great enemy forces which attacked us repeatedly in the direction of Rostoki.  
In the Carpathians, we progressed somewhat, and a violent battle ensued in the region of Uzok Pass, which the enemy still hold. We captured three guns and 700 prisoners.  
We repulsed attacks in the direction of Stryl, inflicting enormous losses on the enemy.

#### Germans Repulsed.

April 13, 1,15 a.m.  
The Paris official evening communique states that a German counter-attack on April 12, at Les Eparges, was repulsed.  
The enemy's attack on the evening of April 11, at Bois le Pretre, was easily arrested.

#### German Dirigible Drops Bombs.

A German dirigible at 1.30 on Monday morning threw seven bombs on Nancy, causing two fires, which were promptly extinguished.

#### Further Captures.

April 12, 4,40 p.m.  
A Paris communique states:—  
There is no infantry action to report.  
There has been cannonading in Belgium, the Oise, the Aisne and Champagne regions.  
We organised positions won between the Meuse and the Moselle, the Germans making no counter-attack.  
We took five machine guns and a bomb-thrower in Bois d'Ailly and Bois le Pretre on Saturday.

#### Harrison Liner Torpedoed.

April 12, 3,5 p.m.  
The Harrison liner Wayfarer, of 9,800 tons, has been torpedoed off the Scilly Isles and is being towed to Queenstown.  
Safely Beached.

April 12, 7,55 p.m.  
It is announced in Liverpool that the a.s. Wayfarer has been beached at Queenstown.  
[The Wayfarer is a steel twin screw four-masted steamer, built in 1903 by Workman, Clark and Co., Ltd., Belfast, for the Charante s.s. Co., Ltd., of which Messrs. T. and J. Harrison are Managers.]  
"We Want to Pull Together."

April 12, 12,15 p.m.  
A meeting held in Newcastle, the delegates of 21 engineering and shipbuilding Trades Unions sent a message to Mr. Asquith welcoming the appointment of a Munitions Committee, saying, "We don't want more speeches about the failings of the workers, employers of the Government. We want to pull together and get on with it. Tell Kitchener we shall deliver the goods. The working man of the North Coast will do his bit."

#### Australia and Total Abstinence.

April 12, 12,15 p.m.  
Reuter's Melbourne correspondent states that the Catholic and Anglican Bishops have appealed for total abstinence during the war.

## TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

#### German Peace Movement.

April 12, 12,15 p.m.  
The renewal of peace talk in Washington is attributed by the American Press to German inspiration.  
One of the German peace manoeuvres takes the form of a long interview with His Holiness the Pope, who is represented as urging the United States to avoid anything that would prolong the war.

#### What the Turks Want.

The Times' correspondent at Sofia states that Field Marshal Von der Goltz's mission to Berlin, and also that of Halil Bey, was in connection with the urgent demand of the Young Turks that 300,000 Germans should be sent across the Danube in order to rush Serbia, intimidate Bulgaria and open the road for munitions to Turkey. In the event of a refusal, the Young Turks threaten to make peace with the Allies.

#### Greek Politics.

April 12, 1,45 p.m.  
Reuter's correspondent at Athens states that the Venizelos and Ralli parties have agreed to a fusion for the forthcoming elections, and their success is anticipated.  
M. Ralli will probably form a Ministry. M. Venizelos is going abroad on a sea-trip to recuperate.

#### General Pau Returns.

April 12, 6 p.m.  
Reuter's Paris correspondent states that General Pau has returned from his visit to Russia and the Balkans.  
He was given an ovation by the crowds, including young recruits. The General shouted "Long Live Cias 1916!"

#### The North Sea "Battle"—A Fiasco.

April 12, 1,45 p.m.  
Numerous telegrams from Scandinavia, reporting a naval engagement in the North Sea, have been released after being held up for some days.  
Reuter, however, is authoritatively informed that there is not a word of truth in the reports.

#### German Methods.

April 12, 1,45 p.m.  
Reuter's Paris correspondent states that the Roumanian authorities have discovered that German and Austrian diplomatic couriers' heavy baggage contained spare gun-parts, etc.  
The severest measures are being taken to prevent the continuance of the practice.

#### U. S. Indignation.

April 12, 1,45 p.m.  
Reuter's New York correspondent states that the German Note to the United States has caused intense indignation.  
The Herald says it is intended to be an act of deliberate disrespect and defiance towards the American Government, and that if Count Bernstorff is not immediately recalled, no time should be lost in giving him his passports.

#### The Kron Prinz Wilhelm.

April 12, 1,45 p.m.  
The Kron Prinz Wilhelm, which has arrived at Newport News, has 68 cases of beri-beri on board.  
The Captain says he has only 25 tons of coal and scanty provisions, and that the only neutral vessel sunk was the Semantha, with wheat for the British forces.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.]

#### EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

#### German Cruisers on the Move.

April 12, 4,35 a.m.  
A telegram from Christiania says that the Captain of the steamer Vestfos reports that while proceeding on a voyage from Manchester, which he left on Wednesday, he passed, 70 miles west of Utsira, 14 large German cruisers, steaming northwards.  
Pilots who have arrived at Haugesund state that they saw a fleet of 21 warships, 50 kilometres to the south of Bergen. They were unable to determine their nationality.  
The Norwegian steamer Kronstadt has arrived at Aarhus, Jutland, and reports that she saw gun flashes for an hour on Thursday night, 100 miles from the Norwegian coast. A gale drowned the sound of the guns.

#### Italian War Demonstrations.

April 12, 4,35 a.m.  
There were imposing war demonstrations at Brescia, where 20,000 people clamoured for war; at Naples, where Sig. Garibaldi spoke, and also at Leghorn and Oona. Would-be demonstrators at Rome were dispersed, and there were several arrests.

## WAR TELEGRAMS.

#### Sunken American Submarine Revelation.

April 10, 1,45 p.m.  
A sensation has been caused in America by the publication of a letter from a Lieutenant on the ill-fated American submarine 74, which recently sank off Honolulu. The letter was written two days prior to the disaster, and in it the writer declared that the vessel was leaky and that he expected the whole thing to collapse any day.

#### Crew of H.M.S. Botha Hope to Win Fame.

April 12, 1,25 p.m.  
The Press Bureau says that the Captain, officers, and crew of H.M.S. Botha have telegraphed their good wishes to General Sir Louis Botha, saying they hope the vessel may win further fame for a name already honoured throughout the Empire.  
Sir Louis Botha replied, assuring them of the highest appreciation of their message. He feels sure that they will create glorious records, and wishes them success and God's blessing in their noble task.

#### Casualties.

April 10, 8,45 p.m.  
Killed:—R. Gilliat, W. Lanyon, R. S. Paterson.  
Wounded:—A. Stone (Sherwood), I. Edwards (Lincolns), W. P. Paterson, J. N. Phillip, S. Rushworth, T. Trappes Lomax, E. Wales.  
To-night's list contains the names of 403 men killed and 835 men wounded, still being casualties sustained in the fighting at Neuve Chapelle. The chief sufferers were the Worcesters, the Lincolns, the Grenadier Guards, the Black Watch, the Berkshire Regiment, the Seaforth Highlanders, and the Manchester Regiment.

#### Wireless on the "Main."

April 12, 4,35 a.m.  
The Dutch authorities have ordered the Norddeutsche Lloyd liner Main, which has been lying in the Flushing Roads since the beginning of the war, to leave on Monday morning. The Main will probably go to Antwerp.  
It is reported in Rotterdam that an intercepted wireless message directed attention to the Main, which appeared to be deserted. A search revealed a wireless apparatus in full working order, the wires being ingeniously hidden in the masts, rigging, and ladders.

#### French Steamer Torpedoed But Not Lost.

April 12, 4,35 a.m.  
The French steamer Frederic Franck, which was torpedoed off Start Point, has been towed into Plymouth.

#### The Question of German and Holland.

April 12, 12,15 p.m.  
Germany's reply to the Dutch Note says that the Government is of opinion that the treatment of the steamer Melas, as well as that of the Batavier Zaanstroom, accords with the provisions of the Declaration of London. Germany has decided to submit the question of justification to a Prize Court as speedily as possible, and says there is no question of a changed German attitude towards the Netherlands.

#### A Second Canadian Force to be Despatched.

April 12, 12,15 p.m.  
Reuter's correspondent at Ottawa states:—The Prime Minister (Sir Robert Borden) announced in Parliament that a second Canadian Force would be despatched in the near future, in response to a request from Lord Kitchener (loud cheers). He also announced that they would receive precise training in accordance with the experience of the European campaign. Canada had 101,560 men in uniform, and should the war last a year, 150,000 would be required from Canada.

#### French Progress.

(Havas Telegram.)

April 10.  
French Government Stock stands now at Fr. 72 50.  
Yesterday we continued our success, conquering the last works on the important positions at Eparges, carrying 1,500 metres of trenches in Bois d'Ailly and maintaining gains made previously in Bois Montmare. Fifteen counter-attacks delivered by the Germans have all been repulsed. To-day a general action is proceeding. We are strengthening our success at Eparges.  
Cossacks Bring Down Aviator.  
Petrograd:—In the Carpathians we are holding 100 versts, repulsing numerous counter-attacks in which we took 1,000 prisoners. On the Vistula, Cossacks shot down a German aeroplane, the aviator being taken prisoner.

Fire at Czernovitz.  
A big fire destroyed nearly all Czernovitz; 20 wounded in the Austrian-German hospital were burnt to death.  
In the Caucasus, Turkish troops failed in their attacks against Klytchghadonk pass; the Russian offensive is in progress on the shore.

#### More Progress.

April 11.  
Yesterday new progress was made between the Meuse and the Moselle. German prisoners stated that the best German troops were fighting at Eparges with orders to hold the position at all costs. We progressed at Bois Montmare and north of Regneville. To-day, in spite of bad weather, we carried new trenches in Bois Montmare and Lepretre.  
Petrograd:—On the 9th we attacked a German position situated west of the Nisemen, carrying two trenches taking 600 prisoners and 8 machine guns. We drove the enemy back on all the length of the Carpathian chain of mountains, also on the principal chain. We progressed in the south, repulsing important counter-attacks.

Athens:—M. Venizelos is leaving for Samos. It is stated that he will enter political life after the elections which are expected to give him a strong majority.

## TELEGRAMS.

### NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

#### CONDENSED.

The death is announced of Major General Lomax.

The reports of a naval engagement in the North Sea are quite unfounded.

The second Canadian contingent is to be despatched in the near future.

General Pau has returned to Paris from his visit to Russia and the Balkans.

Splendid rains in Australia have completely changed the agricultural outlook.

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#### NEWS.

Further Notes on the Order appear on page 4.

St. Paul's College sports are reported in this issue.

The report of the Union Insurance Society of Canton appears to-day.

General news and some interesting soldiers' stories appear on page 3.

Interesting news from our Canton correspondent will be found in this issue.

"Our Contemporaries" appears on page 2, Commercial News on page 4, and Log Book on page 6.

#### DON'T FORGET.

##### TO-DAY.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.  
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.  
Messrs. Charles Howitt and A. Phillips at the Theatre Royal.—  
"Diplomacy"—9.15 p.m.

##### TO-MORROW.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.  
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.  
Messrs. Charles Howitt and A. Phillips at the Theatre Royal.—  
"When Knights Were Bold"—9.15 p.m.  
Thursday, April 15.

Messrs. Charles Howitt and A. Phillips at the Theatre Royal.—  
"Raffles"—9.15 p.m.

Friday, April 16.  
Messrs. Charles Howitt and A. Phillips at the Theatre Royal.—  
"Nobody's Daughter"—9.15 p.m.  
Sir Charles Elliot's lecture on "The Eastern Theatre of the War" at the City Hall.—5.15 p.m.

Saturday, April 17.  
Messrs. Charles Howitt and A. Phillips at the Theatre Royal.—  
"What the Butler Saw"—9.15 p.m.

Tuesday, April 20.  
Toerag's Rubber Co., Ltd., General Meeting—noon.



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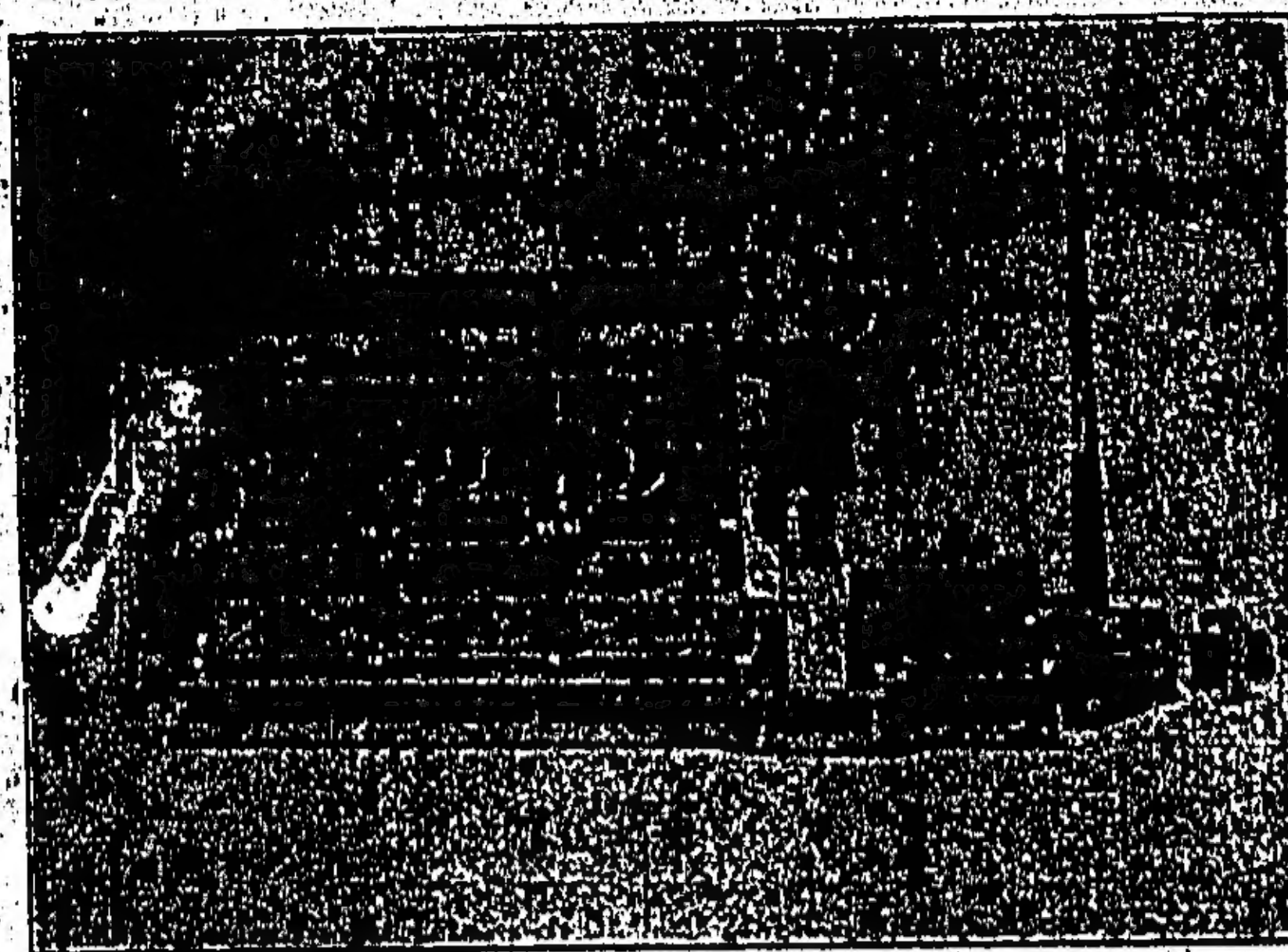
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South China Morning Post.

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Dardanelles is chronicled to-day  
by Reuters. A petty officer of the  
Suffren found that a six inch shell  
had struck the warship and had  
set some ammunition afire. He  
broke the scuttles off the casem-  
ent, opened the sea valves and  
flooded the magazines. With trep-  
idation he approached the com-  
mander, having acted without or-  
ders, but was warmly congratu-  
lated and mentioned in despatch-  
es. Many another brilliant feat  
will be placed to the credit of the  
Jasques now knocking at the door  
of Constantinople and many alas!  
will probably never be recorded.  
Still we may take it, progress is  
being made as indicated by the  
announcement of the Cunard  
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Daily Press.

Japan and the Alliance.  
With these facts in mind it  
becomes highly instructive to see  
that there are now leaders of  
opinion in Japan who view the  
alliance as a serious impediment  
to the realization of the dream of  
"Pan-Japanism" in Asia—men  
who preach the doctrine that a  
commercial competitor is but one  
step removed from an enemy; and  
who are only too ready to accept  
without investigation any tale  
which may appear to serve the  
purpose of damaging the influence  
and prestige of Great Britain in  
the East. This public discussion of  
the Alliance by Japanese public-  
ists has a special significance at the  
present time when the aspirations  
of Japan in China are widely  
regarded as being in conflict with  
her treaty engagements. One of the  
definite objects of that alliance is  
the preservation of the common  
interests of all Powers in China  
by insuring the independence and  
integrity of that country and the  
principle of equal opportunities  
for the commerce and trade of all  
nations in China. Thus this  
alliance is in the interests of all  
Powers alike, China included,  
and therefore any attack on that  
alliance carries a sinister signifi-  
cance from which the Japanese  
Government has, happily, emphat-  
ically dissociated itself.

China Mail.

The War as a Spiritual  
Crusade.

According to M. Paul Sabatier,  
the famous French modernist, no  
Frenchman can now utter the  
word "peace" for he contends  
that the use of such a word at the  
present time "would be akin to  
treason." This strong statement  
is backed up by the argument  
that "when a quarrel is for money,  
or for a strip of territory, one  
can make peace without moral  
loss. To make peace when an  
ideal is at stake is an abdication;  
even to think of it is to be false  
to the voice which tells us that  
man is born for other things than  
to enjoy the moral and material  
heritage of his fathers." These  
statements are part of a letter  
written to Professor Talcott, pre-  
sident of the International  
Society for Franciscan Studies at  
Assisi, who had sent the eminent  
Frenchman a resolution in favour  
of peace which the council of the  
society had passed shortly before  
Christmas. Paul Sabatier, it is  
pointed out had a brother who  
fell at Gravelotte in 1870. His  
only son is now fighting in the  
Argonne. He was for many years  
a pastor at Strassburg after the  
German occupation, and the great  
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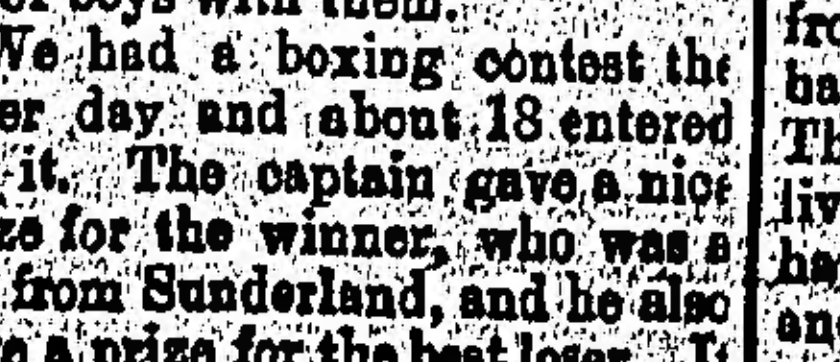
Rooms, European Runner meets Steamers.

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We are in a billet in Arménieres. The owners have fled from the house we are in and we left everything in the rooms. They must be rich people who lived here. The furniture must cost hundreds of pounds, and they must have been young

# MOUTRIE'S

We had a boxing contest the other day and about 18 entered it. The captain gave a nice prize for the winner, who was a boy from Sunderland, and he also gave a prize for the best loser. I

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## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 1915.

### HOW GERMANY TREATS BRITISH PRISONERS.

"We shall never be gentlemen," said a German officer not so long ago; and if, as a decent fellow himself, he spoke with the treatment accorded to British prisoners in his mind, we can understand that there was much bitterness of spirit and profound sense of shame behind the remark. When we write of the Belgian atrocities, and again, of the abominable attitude of the German officials towards the Russians who were leaving at the outbreak of war, we endeavoured to represent the case as mildly and with as little prejudice as might be; to allow ample margin for possible exaggeration and misunderstanding. We have endeavoured, throughout the war, to see something of the enemy's view as well as our own. But now that we come to talk about the ill-treatment of British prisoners by German officials, there is but one side of the matter. For we have to keep ever in mind the fact that the main statement which Reuters sent us on Sunday is one by a neutral ambassador; the representative of a nation whose press has given prominence to the scurrilous and impossible rubbish published daily by the "Wolff Agency" and the Ostasiatische Lloyd, and has never been slow to make out a good case for the Germans and a bad one for the British. Surely, then, we are to take the American Ambassador's statement as not being likely to err in favour of our side.

And what is the statement? Reuters gives one a tolerably clear idea as to what sort of reading it must be by the announcement: "although an improvement is now noticed, thanks to the efforts of the United States representatives, the document is one long recital of cruelties and privations." We can more readily understand this in view of the next assertion, that the Ambassador himself asked for an extra blanket for the prisoners and—so great, as most of us know, is German native politeness—the officials did not even condescend to reply. Officers have been "brutally ill treated, spat upon and kicked." (Culture again.) And the men have been given putrid straw to sleep on. And food has been insufficient. Had this kind of treatment been merely the work of coarse-minded underlings, need to practising vile brutalities on those powerless to resist, one would have complained the less. But the German Government itself seems to have been more or less responsible in this case.

If Britishers were as contemptibly mean as the Germans are proving themselves to be, what retaliation might be exercised. Heaven be thanked, our officials and soldiers are made of different stuff; and, though they can hardly be supposed to feel any marked affection for their prisoners, they take it, and will continue to take it, as a matter of course that the game must be played by those whom the fortune of war has placed in their hands. It is not towards German prisoners but towards those German official goliards that we feel resentful and revengeful. The publication of this disgusting story by the American Ambassador will have its own good effect in increasing the antipathy which the Britisher feels, and has a right to feel, towards the churls who are thus outraging all decency by their behaviour; and it is good that that antipathy should grow; we want to see it swell till there is not a young man, from one end of the Empire to the other, who does not long to do his mite towards ending the war and crushing Germany—not for a year or two but for all time. If every man tries to remember that his own dearest friend may be one of those now subjected to torture in a German camp or prison, and that that torture may have to go on till Germany is smashed, there will be no more talk of shortage in the recruiting lists.

### How Regulations are observed.

We long ago abandoned hope that the local authorities would listen to protests from the public or the press as to there being no proper accommodation for Europeans on Blake Pier. We are so used to seeing the claims of tourists and of such inhabitants as dwell on the lower levels ignored by the Government, that we have ceased to expect anything in the way of reasonable concessions. Nevertheless it seems as though we and our readers have at least the right to suggest that the existing regulations as regards e.g. Blake Pier should be carried out. Here we are not asking the Government for any favour; we are merely hinting that it should perform the duty for which it is paid. Regulations posted on Blake Pier, in English and Chinese, say that no person insufficiently clad shall enter thereon, that there shall be no spitting, and that no one shall sit on the railings. Yesterday morning at nine o'clock we counted no less than twenty-three more than half naked, and none too cleanly, coolies occupying seats on the pier, and four blissfully seated on the rail, while as to the amount of expectation that had been, and was, going on perhaps the less said, the better. The authorities should go and see for themselves. At the entrance to the pier stood a weary looking who evidently had no time to see that the law was carried out. If a policeman cannot be spared, why is not a headle or watchman appointed to maintain order and decency on the pier? Or is even this too much to ask?

Mr. Wilfrid Harvey, the *Globe's* literary critic, has been pointing out what, in spite of many thousands of reminders, the people at Home still do not seem to realise; viz: the West's utter ignorance concerning the East. He writes: "We are accustomed to think of the Oriental as a passive, slow-moving, dreamy creature, standing aloof from the modern world with its aggressive desires and achievements, turning his gaze into his own soul. It is with genuine surprise that the Westerner, who today visits the Orient, finds virtually the entire East coming with a rush into the world of Western ideas." Hongkong readers will have no difficulty in realising the justice of the statement, nor will they be slow to perceive and admit that the persons responsible for the false ideas prevalent at Home are the people who have written about the East. And by these we do not mean the authors of travel-books, so much as the story-writers—all varieties, from the mission-ary pamphlet author to the recognised novelist. Obviously it would be unfair to blame the writers of travel books, since no one reads these. Five tourists out of six who spend half an hour in (respectively) Shanghai, Hongkong, and Canton feel it incumbent on them, on their return to London or New York, to write and (if they have the money—for publishers object to taking such work at their own risk) to publish an account of the manners and customs of China. As we have remarked, nobody reads their outpourings except the writers' personal friends and the world is not much the worse. Learning from Fiction.

It is from fiction that the average Britisher and American glean his historical and geographical knowledge; and neither, as a rule, pauses for a moment to enquire if the novelist has ever been in the country whose wonders he is describing. Among the story-writers who use China in their fiction we can generally find ninety-nine who either have never been there or have merely passed through as trippers, for every one who knows anything about the country. What ideas other than the accepted (and false) ones, can the public get under these circumstances? Nor can we see that this state of affairs is likely to alter, for the average man at Home is not interested in the East; he knows as much as he wants to know already. Those who seriously wish for correct information can always get it, for happily there are a few travel books on China written by men who know what they are talking about; books which will not be ousted from their high position by any amount of nonsense which the tourists and the stay-at-home story-writers may choose to print.

### DAY BY DAY.

ONE SMALL CLOUD CAN HIDE THE SUNLIGHT. LOOSE ONE STRING, THE PEARLS ARE SCATTERED. THINK ONE THOUGHT, A SOUL MAY PERISH. SAY ONE WORD, A HEART MAY BREAK.—Froctor.

The Weather.  
Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 79; dull.  
At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 70; heavy fog.

Count the Columns.  
Yesterday the *Telegraph* published 35 columns of solid reading matter. To-day there will be 33 published.

The Mails.  
Australasian Mail.—Due per s.s. Hitachi Maru to-day.  
Siberian Mail.—Closed per s.s. Tenyo Maru to-day at 11 a.m.

Siberian Mail.—Closed per s.s. Anhai to-day at 3 p.m.  
Australasian Mail.—Closes per s.s. Shanghai to-morrow at a.m.

Up to the Minute—Share market News.

Closing prices:—

Hongkong Shares.—\$375.

Shanghai Cotton.—Tls. 883.

China Barren.—\$11, sales.

Cementa.—\$6.60, buyers.

The Dollar.

The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 1s 9.13-18d.

To-day's Anniversary.

To-day is the forty-seventh anniversary of the crowning events of the Abyssinian war: the mauling of the enemy's troops, the storming of Magdala by Sir Robert Napier's troops, and the suicide of King Theodore.

Prize Court.

The hearing of the claim concerning the s.s. Paklat, in Prize, is down for hearing before Sir William Rees Davies, to-morrow.

To Consignees.

Consignees of cargo by the Kitano Maru are reminded that goods remaining undelivered after to-morrow will be subject to rent.

Well-Known Resident Fined.

This morning, at the Police Court, before Mr. J. R. Wood, Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar was fined \$5 for allowing his dog abroad without a muzzle.

School Sports.

The annual Hongkong Schools' Athletic Sports take place on the Racecourse on Monday next, commencing at noon. H. E. the Governor is to present the prizes at 5.30 p.m.

A Puffin Claim.

A Chinese was fined \$50, or, in default, one month's imprisonment, for being in possession of 150 cartridge cases. The defendant claimed that he bought them from a marine hawk.

Loyal Canton Britishers.

H. M. Consul-General, Canton, has remitted to the Prince of Wales Relief Fund local subscriptions for March amounting to £123. 8. 1. Total amount sent from Canton to date is £1,034. 13. 9.

The Old Story.

A stall-holder at the Central Market has reported that he sent his foki with \$200 to pay a poet's bill in Ko Shing Street. The foki has not paid the bill; neither has he returned to his employer.

Bijou Theatre.

An interesting collection of pictures is being shown at the Bijou Theatre just now, chief among which is the three-part film, "Life at the Bottom of the Sea." "The Saver" is a highly dramatic story-film, and there are two good comedies.

Colony's Health.

Last week there were notified in the Colony one fatal case of plague (imported) and one fatal occurrence of enteric fever. The victims in both cases were Chinese. Since January 1, there have been four cases of plague recorded, all ending fatally.

Alice Memorial Hospital.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Hon. Mr. Lau Chu-pak, \$100;

Messrs. Ho Tung, \$100; Tak Shing-hong, \$50; Ku Ping-nam, \$50; Wong Kam-tuk, \$50; Chung Joy-pun, \$50; Ip Wing-cho, \$50; Ip Li-kong, \$25; U. Hoi-oh, \$25; Chan Cheuk-hing, \$25.

### NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

#### THE CASE OF THE MAIN.

The Imaginary North Sea Battle.

The story which has come through concerning the Norddeutscher Lloyd liner *Main* provides another instance of how the Germans do not play the game. This vessel has been lying in the Flushing roads, in Dutch waters, since the beginning of the war, and from all appearances she was deserted. An intercepted wireless message, however, led to investigations which revealed the fact that she had been far from inactive, for a wireless apparatus in full working order was found to be concealed in the mast, rigging and ladders. The sequel is that the *Main* has been ordered to leave Dutch waters, and the probability is that she will go to Antwerp. She should experience difficulty in making the trip, since she merely requires to steam up the Scheldt in order to reach Antwerp, which, as is known, is in the hands of the Germans. What puzzles the layman, however, is that the Dutch authorities, having established the fact that the vessel has been abusing her position, should permit her to leave at all. One would have thought that the only step to take would have been to have the boat interned.

The Last of the Bunch.

The whereabouts of the last of the German armed vessels to enjoy her freedom has now been disclosed, the Kron Prinz Wilhelm having put in at Newport News, short of coal and provisions, and taken up the berth formerly occupied by the Prinz Eitel Friedrich, now happily interned. We imagine that the career of this latest visitor to the American port is also now as good as sealed. In this case, apparently, there is no question of repairs; hence we should soon know what is likely to happen. She is entitled to take on sufficient coal and provisions to carry her to the nearest home port, but the probabilities are that, like the Prinz Eitel, she will take no further risks at sea but will make the best of a bad job and allow herself to be interned. In other words, like the so-called German High Seas Fleet, she will refuse to "come out."

The North Sea "Battle."

Talking of the German Fleet, the waiting world has once again been buoyed up by false hopes of an engagement in the North Sea. The most circumstantial stories concerning the alleged fight have emanated from Norway and quite a number of Scandinavian mariners have sworn to observing a Fleet of German cruisers, varying in number from 14 to 21. One of these individuals went so far as to say that he saw gun flashes for an hour on end. Now, however, comes an authoritative announcement that there is not a word of truth in the reports. We only wish there were, for if there is one thing Britishers are keen on it is that the British and German fleets should come to grips. We have no misgivings concerning the result, should they meet in deadly combat. All we can say is that some folk must be gifted with very vivid imagination when it comes to retelling stories of this kind, for which there is not the least foundation. Still, we can easily and confidently await "The Day."

### LANGKAT OUTPUT.

Messrs. Wright and Hornby advise us that the Langkat output for the current month is as follows:—

	April	1	...	Tons	254
		2	...	...	239
		3	...	...	242
		4	...	...	233
		5	...	...	273
		6	...	...	256
		7	...	...	238
		8	...	...	244
		9	...	...	269
		10	...	...	273
		11	...	...	270
		12	...	...	238
Total to 12th inst.					3,029
Daily average					252.4

### HONGKONG CURRENCY.

#### THE ONE DOLLAR NOTE

Further Considerations in regard to Hongkong Money.

(SPECIAL ARTICLE.)

Yesterday we discussed at some length the problem with which Hongkong is faced in regard to its subsidiary coinage. But with this question our grievances where the currency is concerned does not by any means end. The point which one is naturally anxious to consider immediately after the subsidiary coinage is the one dollar note—and its scarcity.

We all know from experience, that the subsidiary coin only fulfils out ordinary give-and-take requirements up to the sum of two dollars. For a three or four dollar article we must either tender a five-dollar bill (taking our change in paper—if we can get it) or else pay in one-dollar notes. In view of the clumsiness of our coinage most people would naturally prefer to carry small sums of two or three dollars in paper form, for even a reasonably large handful of local ten or twenty cent pieces is not equal in value to a half-sovereign. Unfortunately, however, wishing and the fulfilment thereof are not the same thing in this world, and most of us are condemned to wear out our pockets and our tempers by carrying forty or fifty coins, each the size of a sixpence—because we cannot get hold of one-dollar notes.

#### Why so Few Notes?

Why the scarcity? The average business man would tell us that there are two reasons. In the first place, he would say, the banks find it more expensive to maintain the issue of one-dollar notes than that of larger denominations; and, in the second, by keeping the one-dollar notes out of circulation the bank officials succeed in disposing of a larger number of silver dollars over the counter.

With regard to the first explanation, it seems justifiable to assume that, when the Government granted the banks a monopoly to issue notes, it expected them to give the public a sufficient and proper service of these notes. It probably costs, as nearly as possible, as much to print a one-dollar note as a ten-dollar. But is this any reason why the banks should be allowed to evade the responsibilities which they have taken upon themselves? Having gained permission to publish the notes why do they note publish them plentifully?

#### The Duty of the Banks to the Public.

The second explanation may not have quite so much in it. It would appear to be true that, by keeping one-dollar notes out of circulation, the banks are able to pay out all odd amounts under five dollars in hard cash. This, however, may be counterbalanced by the fact that they must, in their turn, receive such odd amounts in hard money.

But, whatever may be the explanation, there is the fact: the banks undertake to provide the Colony with a paper currency for small amounts, and they do not perform their promise. When one-dollar notes are needed they must be bought at the money-changer's at an extortionate premium. Such notes being few in number, they must needs pass through a great many hands in the course of a given month, the pleasurable result being that not one in fifty of them is not one in fifty of them is fit to be touched, save with a pair of tongs. Indeed those who do not know Hongkong may well wonder that the Sanitary Board does not proceed against either the banks or the Treasury for allowing such disgusting germs spreading rags to be in circulation at all. If the banks cannot carry out their obligations in a better fashion than this, why does not the Government take the matter out of their hands?

### CONCUBINE'S ACTION.

#### Interesting Claim for Insurance Money.

In the Summary Court, this morning, before Mr. Justice Hazland, Tang Wong-shi, alias Wong Pak-kin sued the Fee Kee Hong for the sum of \$1,000, being money deposited with the defendants by the plaintiff, through Tang Chung-chak, in or about the year 1912.

Mr. R. C. Faithfull appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. J. H. Gardiner for defendant.

Mr. Faithfull said this was a claim for \$1,000 by the plaintiff against a firm with whom this money was deposited. It appeared that the plaintiff, who was only a young woman of 24 years of age, was some eight years ago, a concubine to a man named Tang Lai-pun, a man of about 68 years of age. He believed plaintiff was the old man's third concubine—No. 3 from the top. The man had also a lawful wife. The man died in 1908, on December 8, and, according to the solicitor's instructions, he had expressed a wish to his son, Tang Chung-chak, the son of an older concubine, senior to plaintiff by some years, that the sum of \$1,000 should come out of his insurance money—he was insured for a considerable sum—and he deposited with some firm the interest on the money to be paid to the plaintiff. For a time she was paid, and then the money was transferred to another firm in which the son had an interest. The interest was again paid, but on an application for the sum deposited—plaintiff was entitled to it without giving any reason for requesting it—she was not given it.

The wife was looked upon as a mother to the plaintiff. He did not know his friend's defence; there were no pleadings in cases like that, and he had told him outside that the money had been paid. In that case they would have plaintiff's receipt for the money.

His Lordship:—It is a great disadvantage in this Court to try cases without pleadings—you do not know where you are?

Mr. Gardiner said he would tell his friend any time he asked.

His Lordship asked if Mr. Gardiner would tell him.

Mr. Gardiner said he would. He said they had paid back the money. The receipt had been destroyed, but the payment entered in a book. Since then they had paid no further interest payments. The issue was quite simple.

The plaintiff then went into the box and gave evidence in support of Mr. Faithfull's opening statement.

Judgment was given for the defendant with costs.

### THE MINNESOTA.

#### Aground in the Inland Sea.

Information issued by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, agents for the Great Northern Steamship Company, states that the s.s. *Minnesota*, belonging to the last named company, and which left here on March 27 for Seattle has run aground in the Inland Sea. The telegram states:—"Minnesota aground in the Inland Sea, Sunday evening. Captain wires no immediate danger; diver examining."

Enquiry this morning at the offices of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha elicited the information that there was no further news about the ship at present.

The local office of the N.Y.K. advise us that they have been further advised by telegram that the *Minnesota's* passengers and mails have been transferred to Kobe per s.s. *Cania*.

### TOBACCO FUND CONCERT.

As a result of the concert given in the City Hall on April 3, in aid of the Cigarette and Tobacco Fund, a sum of \$12.40 has been handed to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. F. E. Hall, informs us that the total receipts were \$283, while the expenditure came to \$270.51, made up as follows:—City Hall, \$122.65; printing, \$98.50; coolie hire for stage palms, \$14; Robinson Piano Co. (coolie hire), \$5; Mr. Gonzales (band), \$18; Cheung Lee and Co., \$1.50; refreshments for artists, \$10.80.



## COMPANY REPORT

Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.

The report of the above Company, for presentation to the shareholders at the forty-second ordinary meeting to be held at the Society's offices at noon on Friday, the 23rd April, states:—

The Board has now to lay before the shareholders a balance sheet containing a summary of the property and liabilities of the Society on the 31st December, 1914, and a statement of accounts to the same date.

1913 Account.—After payment of the interim dividend of \$30 per share and the bonus of 20 per cent. to contributors passed at the last annual meeting there remains a balance of \$1,222,202.91 as per annexed statement.

The Board recommends that this sum be appropriated as follows:—

A final dividend to shareholders of \$20 per share on 12,400 shares ... \$248,000.00

A bonus dividend to shareholders of \$5 per share on 12,400 shares ... 62,000.00

An addition to the Sterling Reserve Fund of \$35,000 at Exchange ... 306,400.18

To write off Leasehold Property Account ... 10,000.00

To be carried forward to Underwriting Suspense Account to close the account for the year 1913 ... 505,427.73

\$1,222,202.91

1914 Account.—The balance of Working Account on the 31st December, 1914, was \$4,991,446.63 as per annexed statement.

The Board recommends that an interim dividend of \$30 per share be paid to shareholders, absorbing \$372,000.00, and that a bonus of 20 per cent be paid to contributors, absorbing about \$250,000.00, and that the remainder be carried forward.

Directors:—Since the last general meeting, Mr. H. A. Siebs and Mr. E. Goetz have resigned their seats and Mr. A. Forbes has joined the Board. In accordance with Clause 80 of the Articles of Association Mr. P. H. Holyoak and Mr. W. L. Pattenden retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors:—Messrs. A. R. Lowe and C. Bernard Brown retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

S. H. DODWELL, Chairman.

Hongkong, 12th April, 1915.

Working Account, 1913.

On 31st Dec., 1914.

To Net Premium, 4,731,770.70

To Interest, ... 617,308.72

\$5,349,079.42

By Agency Commissions, ... 130,434.41

By Head Office, Branches and Agency Charges, ... 496,903.61

By Remuneration to Directors, Committees and Auditors, ... 29,180.47

By Losses and Claims paid, ... 2,829,156.37

3,485,674.86

By Bonus of 20 per cent. paid to Contributors, ... 269,201.65

By Interim Dividend of \$30 per Share, ... 372,000.00

By Balance, ... 1,222,202.91

\$5,349,079.42

Working Account, 1914.

On 31st December, 1914.

To Net Premium, 7,301,500.15

Interest, ... 617,883.68

\$7,919,383.81

By Agency Commissions, ... 152,862.02

By Head Office, Branches and Agency Charges, ... 489,309.52

By Remuneration to Directors, Committees and Auditors, ... 25,251.55

By Losses and Claims paid, ... 2,280,714.09

By Balance, ... 4,991,446.63

\$7,919,383.81

## SPECIAL CABLE.

## JAPANESE STEAMERS ON ROCKS.

## TWO VESSELS PROBABLY TOTALLY LOST AT WOOSUNG.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, April 12. The Nagata Maru and the Yairaku Maru have been driven upon Amberst Rock, Woosung, in a strong squall. The crews were rescued and brought to Shanghai. Both vessels will probably be totally lost.

[The Yairaku Maru is a vessel of 2,665 tons and is owned by Messrs. Kishimoto & Co., Osaka, while the Nagata Maru, of 983 tons, is owned by S. Nagata, of the same port.]

## TELEGRAMS.

## AUSTRALIA.

## WELCOME RAINS.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.") London, Received April 13. Reuter's Melbourne correspondent states that splendid general rains in Victoria and the Continent are completely changing the agricultural outlook.

## OBITUARY.

## MAJOR GENERAL LOMAX.

London, Received April 13. The death is announced of Major General S. H. Lomax.

[The deceased, who was born in 1855, entered the Army in 1874 and became Major General in 1908. He was a A.G. 2nd Army Corps from 1902 to 1904, Brigadier General 10th Brigade from 1904 to 1908, and General Officer Commanding the 1st Division since 1910.]

## HARBOR OFFENCES.

P. C. McFall charged Lung Tsai the master of a passenger boat, before Commander Basil Taylour, R. N., at the Marine Court this morning, with unlawfully failing to stop his boat when called upon to do so by the Police in the Harbour, on the 12th inst., and with unlawfully using nets within the harbour limits for the purpose of lifting articles from the bed thereof, on the 12th inst., without the written permission of the Harbour Master. Defendant was fined \$10 for both offences.

The master of the steam launch Kung Hong was charged by Police Sgt. Jackson, with unlawfully carrying six passengers more than the number allowed by his licence, within the waters of the Colony on the 19th inst. Defendant was fined \$250.

P. O. McFall charged two boat women with unlawfully using nets within the harbour limits for the purpose of lifting articles from the bed thereof without the written permission of the Harbour Master. Defendants were fined \$10 each.

ers in Hongkong, and Returns received from the various Branches and Agencies for the year ending 31st December, 1914. We have also satisfied ourselves as to the existence and value of the Securities for Investments, the Cash at Bankers and on Mortgage to the amounts specified. We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required, and in our opinion the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Society's affairs according to the test of our information and the explanations given to us, and as shown by the Books of the Society.

A. R. LOWE, Chartered Accountant.

C. BERNARD BROWN, Chartered Auditor.

Hongkong, 12th April, 1915.

## DAIRY FARM NEWS.

## Your and Your Family's Health

depend in a great measure on the quality and purity of the food you use.

## Have You Considered

the absolute necessity of having your FRESH MILK, BUTTER

MEATS, etc., etc., before reaching you handled in a manner that will save you all anxiety?

We maintain an efficient staff under strict European supervision to ensure

## Purity and Excellence

In all Branches for those who are particular; and our customers are most particular.

## "MRS. DOT"

Excellent Performance at the Theatre Royal.

Though the number of patrons at the Theatre Royal last night was not so large as on the occasion of the opening performance by the Howitt-Phillips Comedy Company, those who were present were treated to a most delightful evening. The play staged was "Mrs. Dot," by W. Somerset Maugham, and the dainty comedy was very charmingly interpreted. His Excellency the Governor and Lady May were among those present.

All the characters were well filled, and the leading parts were in especially capable hands. Miss Gertrude F. Godart appeared in the title role, and she played it with rare skill all through, confirming the admirable impression she made in Saturday's performance. As James Blenkinsop, Mr. Charles Howitt was seen to great advantage; the part suited him to a nicety, and the happy manner in which these two members of the Company co-operated had all to do with the success of the piece. Miss Doris Phillips, as Nellie Selinger, while Mr. Jack Elagert, in the character of Gerald Halstane, the hero, created a good impression, though at times he was inclined to over-do the part. The remaining members of the cast did well in their respective roles.

One of the finest bits of acting through the whole play was witnessed in the second act—a love scene in the garden of Mrs. Dot's country house; Miss Doris Phillips and Mr. Wheeler Dryden are to be congratulated for their excellent work, both displaying a restraint which is all too rare in scenes of this type. The play grew in interest as it progressed, and the denouement was very cleverly done. There was not, indeed, a dull moment throughout the whole of the evening, and the climax was worked up in a most effective manner. The Company are to be praised on the performance, which each used the opinion formed on the opening night, that they are a party distinctly above the average run.

To-night "Diplomacy" is to be produced, and a crowded house is anticipated for this striking play.

## LOCAL SPORT.

## Hongkong Tennis League Meeting.

The annual general meeting of the Hongkong Tennis League was held last evening. It was stated that the following Clubs would participate in the League during the ensuing season:—Kowloon (two teams), University, Civil Service, Club de Recreation, Olympic, Chinese Recreation Club, and possibly the Hongkong, the Wigan and the Y.M.C.A. Clubs. Dr. Forsyth was elected President, Mr. H. A. Nisbet Vice-President, and Mr. W. H. Vivesash (Hon. Secretary). The accounts were very satisfactory, showing a balance in hand of \$63.41. Last season the shield was won by Kowloon "A" who went through the season without a defeat. Out of the 38 fixtures 34 were played.

Tennis Tournament. The following games were played last evening:—

Open Championship Singles. Major Crisp defeated F. W. Cary, 6-2, 6-1, 2-0, 6-3 (second round). S. E. Green defeated W. L. Wei, 6-1, 6-1, 6-2 (first round); Capt. Hatterley Smith

defeated P. K. Wong, 7-5, 6-3, 7-5 (first round).

Handicap Singles, "B," second round: A. H. Crook (rec. 15/1) defeated F. A. Redmond (owe 5/6), 6-1, 6-2. J. R. Wood (owe 2/6) defeated E. J. R. Mitchell (rec. 2/6), 6-3, 6-0. Dr. Koch (w.o.)

Handicap Singles, second round: F. A. Redmond and K. Brayshaw (owe 5/6), defeated A. B. Raworth and L. P. Goldney (rec. 2/6), 6-4, 7-5.

Mixed Doubles: Mrs. Beavis and C. E. H. Beavis (scotch) defeated Mrs. Beckwith and H. R. Phillips (scotch), 7-5, 7-5. Miss Wilkinson and M. M. Mass (w.o.).

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No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Hongkong, 14th April, 1915.

## HONGKONG SCHOOLS' ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The Annual Meeting will take place at the Race Course, Happy Valley, on Monday, April 19th commencing at 12 noon. Heats will be run off on Wednesday, April 14th commencing at 2 p.m. There will be the usual Old Boys' Races.

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## NOTICE.

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LINSTEAD & DAVIS, Hongkong, April 12th, 1915.

## THE CHINA-BORNEO Co., Ltd. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Twelfth Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of the above company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Building at Noon, on Friday, the 30th April, 1915 to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1914 and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 16th April to the 30th April, both days inclusive.

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SUNDAY, 18th APRIL.

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VICTORIA, B.O., and SEATTLE via S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Yokkaichi, and Yokohama	Yokohama Maru Capt. Komatsu Sado Maru Capt. Asakawa	T. 12,500 {THURS., 15th Apr. at noon. T. 12,500 {TUES., 4th May, at 4 p.m.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, via Manila, Taureau Island, Townsville and Brisbane	Nikko Maru Capt. R. Takeda Shitachi Maru Capt. Tominaga	T. 9,600 {SATUR., 17th April at 4 p.m. T. 13,500 {MON., 17th May at 11 a.m.
CALCUTTA via Spore, Penang & Rangoon	Hakata Maru Capt. Kawashima	T. 12,500 {SATUR., 17th April.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Malacca and Colombo	Kawachi Maru Capt. Nakamura	T. 12,500 {FRIDAY, 123rd April.
SHANGHAI, Kobe & Yokohama	Colombo Maru Capt. T. Sakamoto	T. 8,000 {TUESDAY, 13th April.
NAGASAKI, Kobe & Yokohama	Hitachi Maru Capt. T. Sato	T. 9,600 {THURS., 15th Apr. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI, Kobe and Yokohama	Fushimi Maru Capt. Ozizawa	T. 21,000 {TUES., 20th Apr. at 10 a.m.

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Kitano	16, "	" 20th May
Fushimi	25, "	" 3rd June
Hirano	16, "	" 17th June

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Yokohama Maru	12.5 tons	Thursday 15th April
Sado	12.5 "	Tuesday 4th May
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HAIPHONG	Kaifong	15th Apr. at 11 a.m.
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xTjikembang	JAVA	1st half Apr.	JAPAN	2nd half Apr.
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Steamships.	Captain	Leaving.
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Haitan	J. W. Evans	FRI., 16th Apr. at 1 p.m.

FOR SWATOW.

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Notice to Mariners.

Canton District.—Notice is given that the Light on Saman-show was exhibited for the first time at sunset on the 30th March, 1915.

Shipping at Bangkok.

The Siam Observer reports that all Bangkok steamers are now very busy, some of them leaving the same day on which they enter port. The freights are now (March 25) 42½ cents to Singapore and 60 cents for Hongkong.

China Coast Gazette.

Mr. R. Pote Hunt has been appointed second officer, Tuckwo. Mr. R. M. G. Wallace, second officer, Tuckwo, has resigned. Mr. R. J. McClelland, second officer, Loongwo, is awaiting orders. Mr. W. Martinson has rejoined as second officer, Loongwo. Mr. A. McG. Blair, from leave has gone third engineer, Lianshing.

Mr. D. B. Ritchie, third engineer, Lianshing, has gone second engineer, Luenho. Mr. G. D. Grant, second engineer, Luenho, is on leave.

Mr. M. Turner has been appointed supernumerary third engineer, Loongwo.

Mr. O. M. Bander, third engineer, Hopsang, is on leave.

Mr. E. D. Davies, from awaiting orders, has gone second engineer, Hopsang.

Mr. W. Tough, second engineer, Hopsang, is on leave.

Mr. A. L. Prince has been appointed third engineer, Hopsang.

Mr. W. Coull has been appointed third engineer, Kumsang.

Mr. B. V. Jones, third engineer, Kumsang, has resigned.

Mr. H. Conway has been appointed second officer, Taksang.

Mr. J. Lyle, second officer, Taksang, is on leave.

Mr. L. G. Markland has been appointed third engineer, Chipshing.

Mr. A. B. Jardine, third engineer, Chipshing, has gone second engineer same ship.

Mr. J. H. Farquharson, second engineer, Chipshing, has gone second engineer, Taksang.

Mr. W. Heckford, chief officer, Laksang, is deceased.

Mr. J. J. Cowan, supernumerary second officer, Loongang, has gone second officer, Laksang.

Mr. A. T. Perry, second engineer, Laksang, has gone acting chief engineer, same ship.

Mr. J. M. Dawson, chief engineer, Laksang, is on leave. Mr. H. W. Lockhead, third engineer, Laksang, has gone second engineer, same ship.

Mr. G. Cowell has rejoined as third engineer, Cheongshing.

Mr. O. S. Gibbs, third engineer, Cheongshing, is on leave.

Mr. L. V. Bahrend has been appointed third engineer, Laksang.

Mr. J. L. Cruickshanks, from leave, has gone supernumerary third engineer, Hsin Peking.

Captain J. Meathrell, of the Luchow, is on leave.

Captain D. R. Davies, from leave, has gone master, Luchow.

Mr. J. Pringle, chief officer, Linan, has gone chief officer, Hupeh.

Mr. R. F. Sheel, chief officer, Hupeh, has gone chief officer, Linan.

Mr. T. Robertson, from leave, has gone third engineer, Luchow.

Mr. J. Malcolm has been appointed third engineer, Irene.

Mr. C. Lockerie has been appointed acting third engineer, Kwanglee.

Mr. A. Brown, third engineer, Feiching, has gone acting second engineer, same ship.

Mr. H. D. Bentley, third engineer, Kiangtwan, has gone third engineer, Feiching.

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SHANGHAI	Choysang	Sat., 17th Apr. at d'light
MANILA	Yuen-sang	Sat., 17th Apr. at 3 p.m.
TIENSIN via W. Wei	Cheongshing	Sun., 18th Apr. at d'light
SHANGHAI	Kwongsang	Sun., 18th Apr. at d'light
YHAMA, Kobe & Moji	Laisang	Tues., 20th Apr. at d'light
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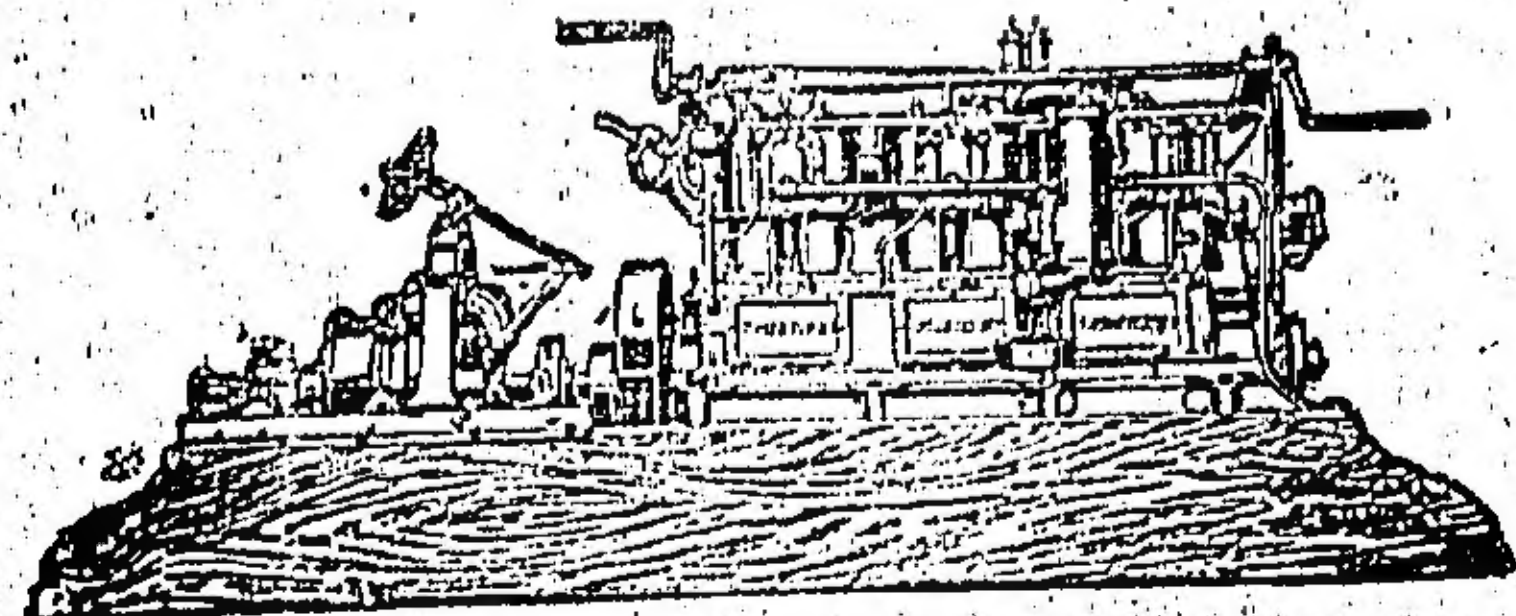
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London via Usual Ports of Call	Malta	P. & O.	23, Apr.
L'don, via S'pore, Pang, C'bo, &c.	Nore	P. & O.	28, Apr.
Marseilles, London & Liverpool	Kalomo	B. L. L.	10, May

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Shanghai	Sardini	P. & O.	22, Apr.
S'hai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	Nagoya	P. & O.	3, May
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African Ports			
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Shanghai	Tjitaroom	J.O.J. L.	Q. desp.
Shanghai	Tjikembang	J.O.J. L.	Q. desp.
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Ports on 10th April, and may be expect-  
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# THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

## EXTRA

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 1915.

### ATHLETICS.

St. Paul's College Sports.

The St. Paul's College athletic sports meeting was held at the Racecourse yesterday afternoon, under the patronage of the Right Rev. the Bishop of Victoria and the control of the President (Rev. A. D. Stewart, M. A.); Hon. Secretary, (Rev. W. T. Featherstone); Treasurer, (Mr. W. Y. Wei); starters, E. G. Stewart, Ho Wing-kin, and S. Edwards; judges, W. H. Wei, Wong Sui-pun, Ho Kwai-chin, A. Rowan, Ma Tsoo-cheung, Chan Man-wood, Tung Min-sui, T. Chan, Chan Hing-wah and Ng Ka-kun; and time-keepers, Tso Sze-kai and Wong Phan-jin. The events were, on the whole, well contested, the Pillow and Pole, and the Tag-of-War competitions and the Forms Flag Race affording much excitement, especially the two former events. At the close the prizes were presented by Mrs. Barnett. The band of the 74th Pajabais was in attendance during the afternoon, and rendered some beautiful selections. The results were:—

Senior High Jump.—1st, Wong Chek-keung; 2nd, Chan Wai-yau; 3rd, Cheung U-kong; height, 5ft. 6in.

Junior High Jump.—1st, Wong Chek-keung; 2nd, Ip Kam-wa; 3rd, Wong Chor-hing; height 4ft. 4in.

Senior 100 Yards.—1st, Chan Wai-yau; 2nd, Wong Chek-keung; 3rd, Wong Yai-keung. The winner made very good time.

Junior 100 Yards.—1st, Ip Kam-wa; 2nd, Ng Shu-keung; 3rd, Chan Shui-wing.

Small Boys 100 Yards.—1st, Lau To-man; 2nd, Li Shu-yin; 3rd, Harry Lo; time, 13.1/5 sec.

Senior Long Jump.—1st, Wong Chek-keung; 2nd, Ip Long Cheung; 3rd, Chan Wai Yau; distance, 17 ft. 4 in.

Junior Long Jump.—1st, Li Ying Piu; 2nd, Wong Fu Keng; 3rd, Tang Luk; distance, 13ft. 9in.

Mathematical Race (Upper School).—1st, Leung Ping San; 2nd, Wei Liu Sang; 3rd, Chan Wai Yau.

Mathematical Race (Lower School).—1st, Chan Tak Wah; 2nd, Tani Cham Sing; 3rd, Chan Kam Sui.

Senior 1 Mile.—1st, Wong Chek-keung; 2nd, Chan Wai Yau; 3rd, Wong Yat Keng; time 58.1/5 sec.

Junior 1 Mile.—1st, Chan Sin Wing; 2nd, Ip Kam Wah; 3rd, Li Ying Piu.

Small Boys 300 Yards.—1st, Lam To-man; 2nd, Li Shu Yung; 3rd, Wei Wing Yuk; time, 48.4/5 sec.

Junior School 100 Yards.—1st, Chan Woon-man; 2nd, Chan Wai-chung; 3rd, Leong Chak-kong; time 35.2/5 sec.

Senior 220 Yards.—1st, Chan Wai-yau; 2nd, Fung Tsoi; 3rd, Chung U-kong; time, 27 sec.

Junior 220 Yards.—1st, Chan Sin-wing; 2nd, Ip Kam-wah; 3rd, Wong Chor-hing; time, 29 sec.

Small Boys 220 Yards.—1st, Lam To-man; 2nd, Lee Kai-to; 3rd, Chan Tak-kong; time, 34 sec.

Senior 1 Mile.—1st, Kwok Ping-kong; 2nd, Wong Man-hing; 3rd, Cheung U-sai; time 2 min. 27 sec.

Old Boys Race, 220 Yards.—1st, Cheung Man-hung; 2nd, Chan Yau-chou; 3rd, Chan Hoi-chuen.

One mile Bicycle Race.—1st, Tang Luk; 2nd, Wong Yee But; 3rd, Charles Lee; time, 4 min. 8.1/5 sec.

50 Yards Kindergarten.—1st, Ip Yau Chuen; 2nd, Tong Chiu Leong; 3rd, Victor Gittles.

Challenge Race St. Paul's College v. St. Stephen's College.—1st, St. Stephen's College.

Three-Legged Race.—1st, Chiu Tang Ki and Ng Shu Kong; 2nd,

### CANTON NEWS.

(From Our Own Correspondent).

Canton, April 11.

#### Cement Works.

The first attempt of the Government to establish manufacturing was the cement factory and in spite of the difficulties that attended its organization and promotion, it is a success from a financial standpoint. There is considerable complaint to be heard at the present time, however, as the manager, a brother of General Lung, has been in the north for some time and the acting manager seems to be utterly incompetent. A short time ago there was a strike among the workmen, on the grounds of cruel treatment. An officer was sent to enforce order but his efforts were greeted with derision. Unless steps are immediately taken by the powers that be to rectify this condition of affairs, there will be an end to the usefulness of the institution.

How much longer will the Chinese authorities make themselves the laughing stock of the civilized world by allowing dishonest and incompetent men to be placed in positions of responsibility? The only necessary qualification for an honorable post seems to be that a man take care to be born a relative of some high official.

#### Better Tea.

The Board of Communication has recently sent to Canton a large number of copies of a circular dealing with proper and modern methods of taking care of tea leaves so that they may yield the best tea. These copies are to be distributed to all interested and it is hoped they will profit by it and the quality of the tea exported from Canton will be materially improved.

#### Japanese Goods.

The very latest order promulgated by the head of the Yuet-Hin Railway Co., is to the effect that careful search must be made of the goods brought for shipment on that line and if Japanese goods are found they are to be refused transportation.

#### Revenue Stamps.

A telegram was recently received from Peking by the Acting Financial Commissioner of Canton, reminding him that, beginning June 2, the affixing of revenue stamps to all documents will be rigidly enforced. He at once sent a return telegram asking that \$10,000 worth of these stamps be forwarded without delay.

#### Secretary of Navy Coming.

A telegram was received on the 9th inst. stating that the Secretary of the Navy, now making a tour on the gunboat Hoi Tam to inspect the preparations for the defence of the Chinese coast, will call at Canton soon. The Defence Commissioner and the Chief of Water Police are making preparations for his reception.

Chan Chiu Yan and Wong Tin Chek.

Sack Race.—1st, Ng Shu Kong; 2nd, Tang Luk.

Pillow and Pole.—1st, Wei King Sang; 2nd, Leung Kong Choy.

Consolation Race.—1st, Wong Kai Bun; 2nd, Chan Ho Chuen; 3rd, Au Kong Kit.

Forms Flag Race.—1st, Commercial; 2nd, Form VA; 3rd, Staff. The Commercial class was represented by Chan Man Woon (Capt.), Chan Kan Wing, Wong Chak-Keung and Wong Yat Keung.

Forms Tag-of-War.—1st, Form 4A; 2nd, Form 5A. Form 4A's Team was—Cheung Wah So (Capt.), Tang Tang Fok, Chan Ho Chuen, Liu Kai Fan, and Ma Yung Lin.

### WAR LETTER.

Some Interesting Home Comments.

(From our Special Correspondent).

London, March 5.

Everybody admires the way in which the Prime Minister, finely responding to the trumpet call of greatest emergency that ever confronted a British statesman, has faced the music of the guns of Armageddon. Mr. Asquith's speeches on the War have revealed him as a statesman of high courage, shrewd sagacity, and obstinate resolution, not unworthy to rank with those stout-hearted and cool-headed statesmen whose famous names have passed into household words in our rough island story. A vast and distinguished audience, many of whom wore khaki and sprang assembled in the House of Commons to hear the Prime Minister deliver his historic speech on submitting the greatest vote of credit in all the records of Parliament. Among the audience were an M.P. in the active service uniform of the Black Watch, bronzed from the rough campaigning of the trenches in Flanders and with one arm still in a sling, and the handsome young soldier brother of the late Captain O'Neill, the first M.P. to fall in this war. It was a memorable scene. The whole of the vast assembly was riveted in statueque attention on the solitary and distinguished figure standing at the Treasury table. The Prime Minister's sturdy figure, leaning with folded arms on the famous old tin box battered by the signal rings of a whole galaxy of British statesmen from Gladstone to the Georgian giants, was full of dignity and vigour. His strong masterful features were lit up with a great ardour of patriotic determination, and his splendid voice, inspired by the occasion to matchless oratory, rang with exhortation and defiance. Some there must have been among those present who, like myself, were irresistibly reminded of the statue of the greater William Pitt, standing with uplifted arm near by in Westminster Hall, and of Macaulay's immortal essay, in which the historian and scholar apostrophises the effigy, and describes it as still bidding his countrymen to be of good cheer and his country's statesmen to hurl defiance at her foes.

"Till the Hour Comes."

In addition to thirty-seven millions to tide the country over the War expenditure till the end of March and the financial year, Mr. Asquith asked the House of Commons for two hundred and fifty millions, roughly estimated to cover the cost of the ensuing hundred days till July. Liberal, Unionist, Socialist and Nationalist cheerfully responded to the appeal, and it was Mr. Tim Healy who, blurring with indignation and afire with patriotism, savagely denounced the few pettifogging critics, all Radicals of the baser sort, who ventured to air pany grievances. Mr. Asquith told us that the War is costing the Empire about two millions a day, and he was cheered to the echo when, after declaring that the Government and the people were more firmly determined now than ever to see it through, and after paying in worthy tribute to the magnificent response of the Dominions and the valour and high conduct already displayed by their troops, assured the House of Commons that "We have never been more confident than we are to-day in the power as well as the will of the Allies to achieve a durable victory." There were cheers on cheers while Mr. Asquith spoke of the unbroken spirit of Belgium, the undefeated heroism of indomitable Serbia, the tenacity and resource of our two great Allies Russia and France, who hold their for-forgotten lines and

will continue to hold them till the hour comes for an irresistible advance." Two measures have been taken by the Government which have been the occasion of profound satisfaction and great relief to everybody in this country who understands the situation. On behalf of the Allies Mr. Asquith announced that henceforth no supplies of any sort would be allowed to leave or enter Germany by sea and that steps would be taken to deal with any repetition of our industrial troubles promptly and drastically. Later on, parties are endeavouring to create alarm as to the American attitude. But America is not going to be allowed to make her trading interests an excuse for wrecking the future of the Old World. President Wilson solemnly rebuked Germany for her open declaration of piracy, but the sinking of two American ships has not set America in a blaze. The Americans will have to reconcile themselves to the inevitable when the Allies proclaim a lawful blockade, for that is in effect what the new naval measures amount to. The fact that the S/S "Dacia" has been taken, not by a British cruiser, but by the French may remind Americans that they are in the presence of a world war and that the Allies comprise the British Empire, the French Republic, the Russian Empire, and Japan. It is the interest of all neutral nations that this war should end quickly. The steps taken by the Allies are the surest means to secure that end.

The Working Man.

It would be a pity if there were any misunderstanding about the attitude and spirit of the vast majority of the sturdy plebeians in the United Kingdom. Intense indignation and bitter resentment have already been aroused by the actions of a few workmen who have defied their trade union representatives and held up the supplies of war on which not only their own mates in khaki depend but all Allies as well. The truth is that some of our workmen need a little chastening. When the War broke out the Engineers were in a piteous plight. They foresaw lean times ahead, and petitioned to have shortened hours so as to temper the wind of war to the shorn lamb. But when they found it was a boom time, they forgot their fears, and began to be querulous. All sorts of petty red tape regulations were invoked, miserable little trade jealousies sprang up as to which particular brand of workmen should do what particular sort of work, and while working Saturdays and Sundays at high overtime rates, they rested in midweek to drink away the proceeds. Now this sort of thing calls aloud to Heaven for help.

The Trade Union leaders have done their best to bring the recalcitrants to heel. The Government now sets up machinery to settle compulsorily during the War all disputes, and offers in cases of proved necessity to meet just demands for higher wages. But there is to be no more holding up of shells and wagons because, when there are not enough turners to do what is supposed to be a turner's job, other artisans, equally competent are coiled in, and public opinion is right behind the Government in this step. A London paper has a vivid little poem in which one, Angus McNab, a Clydeside striker, dreams that he sees the Camerons hard pressed at the front, and dying like men where they stand while the British gunners shout for "shells." McNab wakes up in the poem, puts on his coat and hat, and makes for the workshop. "He thinks of the wasted days gone by."

And he hears the challenging striker's cry.

"What are ye gaein, ye dirty scab?"

"To work, for me country," says Angus McNab.

### STOLEN SANDALWOOD.

A Question of Identification.

This afternoon, in the Police Court, before Mr. J. R. Wood, a Chinese was charged with the theft of a large quantity of sandalwood from the a.s. Changsha, valued at \$800.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ, of Mr. J. H. Gardiner's office, appeared for the prosecution, the prisoner being undefended.

Mr. Russ said he appeared really to watch the case on behalf of the owners of the sandalwood. The marks on the sandalwood had been almost entirely obliterated though there were sufficient remaining to render identification possible.

His Worship examined the sandalwood but found the marks were not recognizable.

Inspector P. O. Sullivan said that the police found the wood, part on board a junk, and the remainder on a wharf from which it was being loaded.

Mr. Russ, in answer to his Worship, admitted that the case for the prosecution was weak, but he was able to prove that the only sandalwood recently arriving in the Colony was that consigned to his client on the a.s. Changsha, from which it had been discharged on March 29.

The case was proceeding as we went to press.

### CONTEMPORARY OPINION.

#### LAND POWER AND SEA POWER.

(“MANCHESTER GUARDIAN”)

The following leading article is from the *Manchester Guardian* of March 5.—Telegrams say that the Turks are hurrying up troops from Armenia and Syria to deal with the Allies' advance on Constantinople. It may very well be so, and it will be interesting to see how much this exhibition of land power will be able to accomplish. Yesterday's Admiralty report showed that there is one dangerous obstacle which, if skillfully handled, it might put in the way of the fleet—guns concealed in the broken country on either side of the Straits. That is a danger with which the Allies will have to deal either by means of naval gunfire, guided by aeroplanes, or by landing parties. Then there are the lines of Bulair and the Turkish forces which means them. Its position, however, will always be unpleasant, since the neck of the peninsula behind it is less than four miles broad and is commanded from the Gulf of Xeros; supplies and communication of all kinds will be endangered by bombardment from the sea. But if the Dardanelles forts are once disposed of, and the hidden batteries behind them do not prevent the fleet passing through the Straits, then the army at Bulair will have the enemy behind it on both flanks, and will be able to accomplish nothing more. As for the Turkish army at Chatalja, north-west of Constantinople, it is difficult to see how it is to influence the military position. The Allied fleet, having reached the Sea of Marmora, would command Constantinople, its arsenals and powder factories; and the greater part of the Bosphorus (which is nineteen miles long). The Chatalja army would have to look northward for all its munitions, and supplies, and when it failed to get them from that quarter would have to go without. It seems likely that the Allies, if they can only master the Dardanelles forts, the concealed guns, and the mines, will teach the Turks an interesting thing or two about sea power.

### FOOTBALL.

Victoria Rovers v. Shropshires.

A team from the two companies of the Shropshires met the Victoria Rovers last evening on the Naval Ground in a friendly football match, the former winning from the newly-arrived soldiers by three goals to nil. As an initial display the Shropshires' performance was decidedly interesting, showing they have several good players among their number. The scoring for the Rovers was done by Capel (2) and Swan.

On Wednesday the Hongkong F.C. are at home to the Shropshires.

### VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

Corps Orders issued to-day by Lieut-Col. A. Chapman, V.D., state:—

Joined.—The undermentioned having joined the Corps, are allotted Corps numbers and posted as follows:—No. 1798 Sapper J. S. McGavin to Engineer Company, No. 1799 Private E. M. Johnson to Right Section M. G. Co. No. 1800 Private H. N. Pounney to Scouts Company.

Field Day.—A Field Day will be arranged for Sunday morning, 25th inst. Details will be notified later.

Parades.—Parades for Wednesday, 14th instant:—5.15 p.m., No. 1 Section Artillery Battery and Left Section M. G. Co., 10 p.m. gun drill with mules at Headquarters. Remainder, nil.

Detail.—On duty at Volunteer Headquarters until 7 a.m. on 17th inst., H.K.V.R.

### THE MERCHANT MARINE.

Improvement in China Coast Conditions.

The following is from the annual reports of the Imperial Merchant Service Guild:—

During the year, in continuance of past efforts, and acting upon communications received from the China Coast Guild, further considerable attention has been devoted to the interests of the Captains and Officers serving in some of our ships permanently engaged on the coast of China. The new concessions providing for leave under reasonable conditions, that is, at certain intervals, without loss of pay—which the Guild have been urging for years past upon these Companies—have greatly improved matters. Owing to further representations, both personally and otherwise, it has now been arranged by Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, and no doubt Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. will follow suit, that:—

All periods spent in Acting Command, or as Acting Chief Engineer, shall count for Master's or Chief Engineer's seniority, and that time spent by Masters or Chief Engineers on leave shall likewise count for seniority.

This, in many cases, will count for a good deal.

Another matter which we have successfully disposed of is, where a complaint was received from the China Coast Guild as regards passages home. The Captains and Officers of these steamers were, it was said, being provided with "B" accommodation in the second class by P. & O. mail steamers, when they considered it proper that at least "A" accommodation should be provided. On the Guild putting things before the Companies in London, they decided that "A" accommodation should in future be provided; and that those travelling by other routes should receive the equivalent in cash to "A" accommodation.

### ORGAN RECITAL.

Yesterday evening, Mr. Denman Fuller, the Cathedral organist, gave the last of his series of organ recitals at St. John's Cathedral, when there was a very good attendance. The soloist was Mr. H. E. Muriel, who sang exceptionally well. Possessed of a fine rich voice, he sang Handel's "Thus saith the Lord" in a manner beyond reproach. Mr. Fuller was at his best in Batiste's "Le Carrillon" while he certainly did well with Lemmens' "The Storm."

The programme was as follows:—Fantasia and Fugue in G minor, (Bach); "In the Spring," (S. Eisloff); Recitative and Air, "Thus saith the Lord," (Handel), Mr. H. E. Muriel; "Offertoire for Easter Day" (Batiste); "Le Carrillon," (W. Welstenholme); solo, "Soul of mine" (E. Barus); Mr. H. E. Muriel; "The Storm," (Lemmens).

### FRANCE AND THE DACIA.

An American View.

It was a clever diplomatic stroke for a French cruiser to seize the steamship Dacia and take her into Brest says the *Philadelphia*. At least three important objects are thus achieved: Great Britain is relieved from the duty of having to debate another delicate issue with the United States; France has a more consistent record than Great Britain in the matter at issue and can back her case more strongly; and the entire harmony of the Allies on the principle involved is demonstrated. In a sense, the first object was the most important. It is much easier, for obvious reasons, to excite hostility against Great Britain than against France, especially at this time. That may have been the controlling motive of the French action. Yet France unlike most of the nations, has held so persistently to the view that a transfer of flags in time of war should not be recognised, apart from any question of good faith, that her own practice cannot be cited against her.

This does not mean, of course that the United States is stopped from protesting against the seizure of the Dacia on the ground that the transfer from the German to the American flag was bona fide. This is the general rule, and it has been upheld both by Great Britain and the United States. In the case of the Dacia there are circumstances to justify suspicion. France can urge these without falling back on her traditional policy as an argument, and she may be able to make suspicion certainty. Other right to seize the Dacia for the purpose of settling the case there is no doubt. The United States cannot dispute that. During the Civil War the steamship Georgia, which had been acting as a Confederate warship, was transformed into a merchantman and put under the British flag. The validity of the sale was not questioned, but she was seized by the Federal cruiser Niagara on the plea that she had formerly been owned by those engaged in hostilities with the United States Government.

There seem to be enough technicalities available for the use of both parties to the controversy to prolong it to the end of the war.

### Destruction of the Moulin Rouge.

Paris, Feb. 27.—A fire broke out at 5 o'clock this morning at the Moulin Rouge. The alarm was given by M. Sembat, Minister for Public Works, who lives in the neighbourhood and who was awakened by the glow of the flames. The whole place has been burned down, nothing remaining but the frontage. There was no loss of life. The origin of the fire is not known.



## PUBLIC AUCTION.

G. R.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 19th day of April, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Star Street, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years; with the option of renewal at Crown Rents to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King for one further term of 75 years.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

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## NOTICES.

## LECTURE IN AID OF THE PRINCE OF WALES' FUND.

Sir Charles Eliot, K.C.M.G., has kindly consented to deliver a Lecture, in aid of the above Fund, entitled "The Eastern Theatre of the War; some recollections of an ex-diplomatist," at St. Andrew's Hall, City Hall, on Friday, the 16th April, at 5.15 p.m.

His Excellency The Governor will take the Chair.

Tickets, price one dollar, may be obtained from Messrs. Moutrie & Co.

## NOTICE.

ANY EUROPEAN desiring to leave the Colony should apply in writing for permission to do so to the Provost Marshal, Head Quarters Offices, at least 48 hours before the intended hour of departure, giving name, nationality, age, sex, height, complexion and occupation of the applicant, and stating the name of the steamer or other vessel or the hour of the train by which the applicant wishes to leave. Applicants should apply in person for their passes to the Provost Marshal at Head Quarters Offices between the hours of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. and 2 to 4 p.m. daily.

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Ladies .....\$18.00  
Children .....\$12.00

and that the price of servants' punch tickets available for 20 rides will be \$1.20.

Season tickets expiring in April can be extended to April 30th on same terms pro rata as now in force but no three monthly Season Tickets and no annual tickets will be issued in April.

Notice is further given that on and after 1st May next daily return tickets and Annual tickets will be abolished.

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## Commercial.

## New Tariff for Chinese Products.

The following new tariff has been issued by the Chinese Revenue Department governing the export of home-manufactured goods:—(1.) Chinese goods re-shipped to China after having been exported should be exempted from further taxation if Chinese merchants should claim such exemption. (2.) The export tax on native goods and bamboo articles manufactured in Kiangsu for export to foreign countries should be entirely exempted from taxation. On ropes, etc., only half of the usual rate will be levied. After having paid the tax at the first Customs House and the first Likin station through which the goods pass in transit, no further tax should be imposed on these goods. (3.) In order to avoid inconvenience and loss accruing to the merchant by the use of tials in the payment of the taxes, all taxes are to be paid in dollars from the 1st April at the rate of \$1.50 for each silver tial.

## Shanghai Coal Report.

Messrs. Wheelock & Co.'s report for the fortnight ended April 1 states that there has been very little business done, as exchange has been very unsettled and has declined, whilst freights have continued to advance; there is not much demand from Chinese dealers as the winter season is now drawing to a close. In Japan the larger consumers, thinking that coal prices have reached the bottom, are inclined to make contracts for lengthy periods of one or more years at the ruling rates and the market consequently shows signs of firming up and this is bound to react on the Shanghai market in due course. Owing to the impossibility of obtaining tonnage at a reasonable rate, prices for Kaiping coal for future contracts must be advanced. It has been possible in past years to depend to a certain extent on "stray" tonnage but none is flying at the present time. Stocks remain small.

## Shanghai Cotton Market.

Mr. A. B. Rowland's Cotton Market Report for the week ending 1st April 1915 is as follows:—China Cotton.—The general outlook during the past week cannot be said to have undergone any decided change when the situation is considered in its essential features, although the question of the size of the crop remains a problem as in former years. The experience for the last four or five weeks and the tenacity with which the farmers have carried out their idea of marketing the crop gradually, are not encouraging to those who have counted on a flood of distressed cotton being sold at any price. The situation has fully confirmed my argument of the last six or seven years that conditions in the interior must have changed, and that the marketing of the crop is no longer governed by the necessities of the farmers, but their desire. In order therefore to induce the farmers marketing their cotton a little more freely, the buying houses at Nantao have advanced eight cents per picul on their former buying prices which has had some effect, and commitments within the last forty-eight hours increased some 25 per cent. against those for the past weeks. As to whether this advance in price will bring further larger supplies of cotton on our market from the interior remains to be seen, in view of the fact of the approaching activities for the new crop, in which case they may want to realize "hard cash" to meet their incidentals, when we may look forward to their parting more freely with their holdings. Meanwhile the market will continue to be ruled to a great extent by the developments of the holding policy of the farmer. From past experience they have shown that their financial position is all that can be desired and that they can also control the price of cotton to a great extent, and it will not do to be too sceptical as to their power this season. Tono of the market, firm.

## England Not Too Busy.

Washington, March 12.—Great Britain has asked General Carranza to explain the seizure of the steamer Urjimburook, and the arrest of Captain Muir at Campeche.

## SHARE REPORT.

## COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

S.—SELLERS SA.—SALES B.—BUYERS N.—NOMINAL

STOCK.	To-day's Closing Prices	Number of Shares	Par Value	Paid Up	1914. Highest	1914. Lowest	1915. Highest	1915. Lowest	Last Dividend and Date
<b>Banks.</b>									
H'kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	\$800 a. 276 1/2	120,000	\$125	all	855 July	799 Oct.	800	800	£2 3/4 & 5/- bonus at ex 1/9/14 equal to \$27.27 for 1/2 year ending 31/12/14
<b>Marine Insurances.</b>									
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.	360 b.	10,000	\$250	50	350 Dec.	305 Oct.	360	360	Final of \$3 a/c 1912. Interim of \$18 a/c 1913.
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	175 b.	10,000	£15	£3	145 May	133 Jan.	175	175	Final of 12 1/2 p.c. making 25 p.c. for 1913
Union Ins. Society of Canton, Ltd.	903 b.	12,400	\$250	100	847 1/2 April	700 Oct.	\$910	\$905	Final of \$20 making \$50. for 1912 and Interim of \$30 for 1913
Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	224 b.	12,000	\$100	60	219 April	192 1/2 Jan.	224	224	Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1913 & Int. of \$3 for 1914
<b>Fire Insurances.</b>									
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	130 s.	20,000	\$100	20	169 July	140 Oct.	130	130	\$3 for 1913
H'kong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	375 b.	8,000	\$250	50	395 Feb.	368 April	375	375	\$27 for 1913
<b>Shipping.</b>									
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	54 1/2 b.	30,000	\$25	all	10 Jan.	5 1/2 Dec.	5 1/2	5 1/2	\$1 for 1906
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	33 1/2 b.	20,000	\$50	all	36 Mar.	27 1/2 Nov.	36	36	\$3 for year ending 30/6/14
Hongkong, C. & M.S.S. Co., Ltd.	22 1/2 b.	80,000	\$15	all	29 1/2 Jan.	22 Dec.	22 1/2	22 1/2	Final of 40 cts. making 80 cts for year ending 31/12/14
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	93 b.	60,000	£5	all	79 Jan.	50 Sept.	93	93	Final of 3 1/2 m'king 6 1/2 on preferred shares & 5 1/2 on deferred shares for year 1913
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	91 1/2 s.	3,797,619	£1	all	106 Feb.	70 Sept.	91 1/2	91 1/2	Interim of 1/- a/c 1914 C.No. 23
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	36 s.	40,000	\$10	all	9 Mar.	40 Nov.	36	36	\$1.70 per share and bonus of 30 cents per share for year ending 30/4/14
<b>Refineries.</b>									
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	112 s.	20,000	\$100	all	86 Feb.	70 Nov.	112	112	\$3 for 1912
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	28 s.	7,000	\$100	all	31 Jan.	17 Dec.	28	28	\$3 for 1897
<b>Mining.</b>									
Kailan Mining Administration, 35/	s.	1,000,000	£1	all	41 Feb.	33 1/2 Dec.	35/-	35/-	Final of 5 % Coupon No. 4. making 10 % for year ending 30/6/14
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	4 s.	200,000	£1	all	3 1/2 Jan.	1 1/2 Nov.	4 1/2	4 1/2	1/2 for 1909
Tronoh Mines Ltd.	32 1/2 s.	160,000	£1	all	39 Feb.	19 1/2 Nov.	32 1/2	32 1/2	1/- mak. 7/6 a/c 1913
<b>Docks, Wharves and Godowns &amp;c.</b>									
H'kong & K.W. & G. Co., Ltd.	66 b.	60,000	\$50	all	89 Jan.	73 Nov.	66	66	\$3.50 for year 1914
H'kong & W'pea D. Co., Ltd.	57 b.	50,000	\$50	all	77 Jan.	53 Oct.	57	57	\$3 dividend for year 1914
Shai Dock & Eng. Co., Ltd.	53 b.	55,700	£100	all	60 July	50 Dec.	53	53	Tls. 5 for 1913
Shai & H'kew W. Co., Ltd.	86 b.	36,000	£100	all	100 Jan.	82 1/2 Dec.	86	86	Tls. 5 for 1914
<b>Land, Hotels and Buildings.</b>									
Anglo French Lands, Ltd.	134 s.	13,000	£100	£100	123 July	120 Dec.	94	94	Tls. 6 1/2 for year ending 29.2.14
H'kong Hotel Co., Ltd.	115 s.	20,000	\$50	50	123 July	120 Dec.	118	118	\$2.50 for half year ending 31/12/14
H'kong Land Investment Co., Ltd.	110 s.	50,000	\$100	all	117 1/2 July	98 Nov.	110	110	\$3 1/2 for year ending 31/12/14
H'phreys Estate & F. Co., Ltd.	62 b.	160,000	\$10	all	94 Jan.	7 Nov.	62	62	45 cents for year 1914
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ltd.	40 b.	6,000	\$50	20	45 Jan.	44 Feb.	40	40	\$3 for 1914
Shanghai Lands, Ltd.	101 b.	78,000	£50	all	98 Dec.	89 Oct.	101	101	Final of 6 p.c. making 12 p.c. for 1914
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	68 1/2 b.	12,500	\$50	all	73 June	66 Feb.	68 1/2	68 1/2	\$2.25 for half year ending 31.12.14
H'kong Central Estates, Ltd.	95 b.	10,000	\$100	all	—	—	95	95	\$4.09 for 7 months ending 31.12.14
<b>Cotton Mills.</b>									
Ewo Cotton S. & W. Co., Ltd.	135 b.	20,000	£50	all	138 July	125 May	135	135	Tls. 12 for year ending 31/10/14
Hongkong Cotton Co., Ltd.	63 b.	125,000	\$10	all	84 Mar.	7 June	63	63	50 cents for 1913
Kung Yik, Ltd.	12 1/2 b.	75,000	£10	all	14 Jan.	11 Mar.	12 1/2	12 1/2	Tls. 1.20 for year ending 30/11/14
Laou Kung Mow, Ltd.	84 b.	8,700	£100	all	110 Feb.	70 May	84	84	Tls. 12 for 1913
Shanghai Cottons, Ltd.	128 1/2 b.	40,000	£50	all	135 Feb.	78 Nov.	88 1/2	86	Div. Tls. 6. Bonus Tls. 4. Extra Bonus Tls. 1. year end 30/6/14
<b>Miscellaneous.</b>									
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	111 s.	60,000	\$10	all	12 May	10 Dec.	11 1/2	11	\$1.20 for 1913
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	84 b.	50,000	\$5	all	4 1/2 July	4 April	4 1/2	4	6% for year ending 28.2.06
D. (Spec. shares)	79 b.	50,000	\$1	all	9 Jan.	7 Nov.	7 1/2	7 1/2	70 cts. for 1914
China Prov. L. & M. Co., Ltd.	79 b.	125,000	\$10	all	9 Jan.	7 Nov.	7 1/2	7 1/2	\$1.50 for year ending 31/7/14
Dairy Farm Company, Ltd.	83 1/2 b.	40,000	£5	all	39 June	35 Aug.	34	34	50 cts. for 1914
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	60 b.	400,000	\$10	all	6 1/2 Jan.	5 Dec.	7	6 1/2	\$1.80 per share for 1913
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	84 b.	6,000	\$10	all	49 Jan.	36 Nov.	40	40	Interim \$2 1/2 a/c 1914
Hongkong Ice Company, Ltd.	190 b.	5,000	\$25	all	217 1/2 July	174 Dec.	190	190	Final of \$1 making \$2 for 1914
Hongkong Rope Mfg. Co., Ltd.	26 1/2 b.	60,000	\$10	all	25 June	22 Apr.	26 1/2	26 1/2	Final div. of 6d. making 7 1/2 p.c. for 1913
Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.	5 b.	325,000	5/-	all	13 1/2 July	7 Feb.	5 1/2	5	Interim of T. 1 making T. 2 a/c 1913
Langkats, Ltd.	230 b.	250,000	£10	all	64 1/2 Mar.	28 Dec.	26 1/2	36	80 cts. on fully paid shares and 8 cts. on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.14
Peak Tramway Co., Ltd. (Old)	10 s.	25,000	\$10	all	10 1/2 Jan.	9 1/2 June	10	10	80 cts. on fully paid shares and 8 cts. on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.14
Do (New)	\$1 s.	50,000	\$10	all	93 cts. Jan.	75 cts. Dec.	\$1	\$1	None
Philippines Ld.	5 s.	75,000	\$10	all	—	—	5	5	None
H. Price & Co., Ltd.	5 s.	12,000	\$10	all	—	—	5	5	None
Societe des Pulpes et Papiereries du Tonkin	230 s.	13,200	\$50	all	—	—	20	20	None
Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.	32 s.	20,000	\$5	all	5 1/2 June	4 Nov.	3 1/2	3 1/2	35 cts. for year ending 31/5/14
Union Water-boat Co., Ltd.	17 1/2 s.	27,723	\$10	all	22 1/2 Feb.	17 Jan.	17 1/2	17 1/2	\$1.00 per share for year ending 31.12.14
Watson and Co., Ltd.	7 s.	90,000	\$10	all	8 1/2 April	6 1/2 Dec.	7	7	70 cts. for 1913
William Powell, Limited.	66 1/2 s.	21,000	\$7	all	9 1/2 Jan.	6 1/2 Dec.	6 1/2	6 1/2	50 cts. on old shares and 25 cts. on new year shares for year ending 30.6.14
S. C. Morning Post	29 b.	6,000	\$25	all	30 June	22 Dec.	29	29	\$1. Interim a/c year 31.8.14

## WRIGHT &amp; HORNBY.

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CORRECTED TO NOON, APRIL 13, 1915.

THE TELEGRAPH DOES NOT HOLD ITSELF RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE QUOTATION.

## EXCHANGE.

13th April.

<b>Selling.</b>	<b>Demand India</b> ..... 136 3/4	<b>T/T France</b> ..... 230	<b>6 m/s. France</b> ..... 246
T/T ..... 10 3/4	T/T Bombay ..... 136 1/2	Demand Paris ..... 230 1/2	Gold Leaf per tael \$56.30
Demand A. .... 1/9 13/16	Demand Bombay ..... 136 1/2	On Haiphong ..... 7 1/4 prem.	Sovereign ..... \$10.80 nom.
30 d/s ..... 1/9 1/2	T/T Calcutta ..... 136 1/2	On Saigon ..... 7	Bar Silver ready ..... 23 1/2
60 d/s ..... 1/9 15/16	Demand Calcutta ..... 136 1/2	On Bangkok ..... 85	forward ..... —
4 m/s ..... 1/10	Demand Manila ..... 89 1/4	<b>Buying.</b>	
T/T Shanghai ..... 78	T/L San F'co & N.Y. 43 1/2	4 m/s. L/C ..... 110 1/2	
Private 30 d/s sight	Demand New York 43 1/2	4 m/s. D.P. .... 110 1/2	
T/T Singapore ..... 77 7/8	T/T Java ..... 110 1/2	6 m/s. L/C ..... 110 1/2	
T/T Japan ..... 89 1/4	T/T Marks ..... Nom.	30 d/s. S'ney & M. 110 1/2	
T/T India ..... 136 1/2	Demand Germany	30 d/s. San F'co & N.Y. 45 1/8	
		4 m/s. Mark ..... Nom.	
		4 m/s. France ..... 241	

## BANKS.

## INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

HEAD OFFICE: 60, Wall Street, New York.

LONDON OFFICE: 36, Bishopsgate, E.C.

BRANCHES: BOMBAY, LONDON, CALCUTTA, MANILA, CANTON, PANAMA, CEBU, PEKING, COLON, SAN FRANCISCO, HANKOW, SHANGHAI, HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, KOBE, YOKOHAMA.

CAPITAL PAID-UP \$3,250,000

RESERVE FUNDS: 4,060,000

(U.S. Gold) \$7,310,000

All kinds of FOREIGN &amp; LOCAL BANKING BUSINESS transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received at rates to be ascertained on application.

N. S. MARSHALL, Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd Oct. 1914

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.

Established 1880.

Authorized Capital Yen 48,000,000

Paid-up Capital " 30,000,000

Reserve Fund " 19,500,000

Head Office—YOKOHAMA.

Branches: Amoy, Canton, Hankow, Harbin, Hongkong, Kobe, London, Lyons, Shanghai, Singapore, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Agencies at: Nagasaki, New York, Peking, Port Arthur, San Francisco, Shanghai, Tientsin, Yokohama.

Interest Allowed on Current Account.

Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

EIGHT ONO, Manager.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1915.

## NOTICES.

## THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

(Capital Paid up, \$1,250,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property, &amp;c.

Goods received on Storage.

Advances made on Merchandise.

Loans made on the Provident System.

(Rates and Particulars on application.)

The Office of TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILLS, ATTORNEY, &amp;c., Undertaken and Executed: SHEWAN, TOMES &amp; Co. General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1908

## PEAK TRAMWAY CO. LIMITED.

## TIMES TABLE.

## WEEK DAYS.

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## FROM A BRITISH NURSE

With the Russian Red Cross.

Miss Violetta Thurstan, who has been doing such splendid service as a Red Cross nurse, first in Belgium and then with the Russians, has returned safely to England, having been invalided home after an attack of pleurisy following a shrapnel wound, which she received while tending a wounded man under fire. The wound itself was more painful than serious, and soon healed, though Miss Thurstan confesses that she still dreams of her narrow escape when a bomb dropped at her feet unexpectedly from a Taube, as she was walking along the road at Radziwiliow, totally unaware of the presence of the enemy. If the road had been hard she must have been killed, but fortunately it was very muddy.

The bomb sank in, exploded upwards, and the soldiers who rushed forward to investigate found Miss Thurstan standing, dazed, at the very edge of the great hole it had made. Some of Miss Thurstan's experiences are related in a most interesting interview that appears in the *British Journal of Nursing*. Falling into the hands of the Germans in Belgium, she was one of the party who through the intervention of the American Consul, were permitted to return home via Cologne and Denmark, but at Copenhagen she decided to go to Poland instead, and accompanied by Miss Greg and two other trained nurses, and armed with an introduction from Prince Gustav of Denmark to his aunt, the Empress Marie of Russia, she set out for Petrograd, where they had an audience with the Empress, and were sent to Warsaw, where, after three weeks' hospital work, Miss Thurstan and Miss Greg were attached to "the flying column," which travels light, setting up temporary hospitals wherever they are wanted.

The wounded men were passed on as quickly as possible—once the column dealt with 750 in 24 hours. On that occasion the hospital had been set up in a warehouse, the German battery was on one side of the line and the Russian on the other. Shelling was going on at the time, and the hospital gave no light, as it would at once have drawn fire. Operations were done on the ground floor, by the light of candle ends in bottles. On the upper floors, the wounded, the dying and the dead lay together. Then orders came to move further down the line—to Skerniewice. Here the wounded were housed in the Czar's private theatre and lay on the stage between the scenery. They had to move very quickly from this place, but they took all their patients, and the whole of their equipment; they left nothing behind except two dead men, and they would not have left them, but there was not time to bury them before the Germans entered the town.

One night when some of the staff had a night off, a Siberian captain, with a special permit from the General, took Miss Thurstan, the doctor, and a Russian Sister to the front trenches. They started at 10 p.m. and got back at 5 a.m. A very German attack was going on, and the bullets falling like hail. Crouching down they watched the attack. When there was a bayonet attack the Russian score, as their bayonets are two inches longer than those of the enemy. The men in the front trenches were wearing masks, as the Germans have now begun to throw vitriol. Miss Thurstan would her visit to the trenches and positions (i.e., the points where the guns are placed) most interesting—well worth a night's sleep. The dugouts, just behind the trenches are, she says, very comfortable.

The journey homeward was difficult and not without danger; through Finland and Lapland, along the coast of Sweden to Bergen. Miss Thurstan says that in Sweden "the feeling is very antagonistic to this country, that it is not so strong as it was on her way to Russia, when, having engaged 4 beds at an hotel, she was refused admission when it was known that she was English. At Bergen she went on board a Norwegian boat bound for this

## BRITISH ENDURANCE.

A Band of Three Save a Position.

London, Feb. 2.

A thrilling story of British pluck and endurance is told by "Eye-Witness" with the forces at the front.

He says that during the fighting on February 17, south-east of Ypres, a party of 40 Britishers was isolated and exposed to the full fury of the enemy's attack.

The 40 held the trench they occupied until every one of them had been either killed or wounded, and at the end there were only three who were capable of using a rifle at all.

They kept on firing, however, until their ammunition was almost exhausted and then managed to send word to the rear, and seven strong men carried more ammunition to the trench.

When they reached the inferno they found the three survivors standing among their dead and disabled comrades, still firing steadily.

The ammunition only came in the nick of time. The increase of seven in their rank enabled the heroes to bear off the assault, which was made on them, and the position was saved.

The correspondent mentions that in one portion of the battle ground—in some brickfields—a young German officer charged at the head of 30 men, waving his sword.

The attackers reached the entanglements protecting the British position, but got no further, for they were all killed.

The officer still lies where he fell, his sword still in his hand, with his 30 comrades all dead around him.

## WATER RETURN.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on the 1st Apr. 1915.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

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## POST OFFICE.

NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT ALTHOUGH EVERY POSSIBLE PRECAUTION IS TAKEN TO SECURE THE SAFETY OF ALL POSTAL PACKETS WHILE IN THE CUSTODY OF THE POST OFFICE THE POSTMASTER GENERAL CANNOT GIVE COMPENSATION FOR ANY LOSS OR DAMAGE WHICH MAY BE DUE TO THE ACT OF THE KING'S ENEMIES. UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE NO LETTERS, BOXES, OR PARCELS FOR BELGIUM, BRAZIL, CRET, OR MONTENEGRO AND NO LETTERS, BOXES OR PARCELS FOR MALTA CAN BE ACCEPTED FOR INSURANCE.

War risks are not covered by postal registration or insurance.

THE PARCEL POST AND INSURED LETTER SYSTEM TO BRAZIL IS SUSPENDED.

The services to Germany, Austria, and their Colonies, and to the Ottoman Empire are suspended as are also the Parcel Post services to France & Tsingtau.

British Postal Orders are now on sale at the Sai Yung Poon Branch Post Office.

The Public are advised to post early as there is a danger of late posted correspondence missing the mail owing to the censorship.

The afternoon Mail for Canton will close at the General Post Office at 6 p.m. No late bag will be closed on board the steamer.

The Pillar Box formerly at the junction of Kimberley and Nathan Roads has been removed to the junction of Austin Avenue and Kimberley Road.

Mails for Europe via Siberia are now being despatched from Shanghai, on Tuesdays at Noon, and Wednesdays & Saturdays at 9 p.m.

Tuesday's despatch connects with the Trans-Siberian weekly express at Harbin; the others connect with Post trains.

Until further notice Registered correspondence for New Britain (formerly known as German New Guinea, the Caroline Islands and Marshall Islands) cannot be accepted for transmission.

## MAILS CLOSE TO-MORROW.

Hohow &amp; Haiphong—Per BOYORIN, 14th April, 9 a.m.

Touane &amp; Quinhon—Per VARG, 14th April, 9 a.m.

Japan via Kobe—Per COLOMBO M., 14th April, 9 a.m.

Swatow—Per CHENG TU, 14th inst. 10 a.m.

Swatow—Per HAOHONG, 14th inst. noon.

Saigon—Per PHEUM PENH, 14th inst. noon.

Japan via Moji—Per FOOKSANG, 14th inst. 2 p.m.

## THURSDAY, 15th April.

Haiphong—Per LOKSANG, 15th inst. 9 a.m.

Japan via Nagasaki—Per HITACHI M., 15th inst. 9 a.m.

Hohow &amp; Haiphong—Per HANOL, 15th inst. 10 a.m.

Haiphong—Per KATFONG, 15th inst. 10 a.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Moji, Victoria, B.C. and Seattle, United Kingdom via Canada, (Europe via Siberia)—Per YOKOHAMA MARU, 15th April, 11 a.m.

(Tientsin-Pukow Service Shanghai Br. P.O. Tuesday 20th inst.)

Strait, Ceylon, India via Bombay—Per IYO MARU, 15th 11 a.m.

Tientsin—Per HUIHONG, 15th 11 a.m.

Shanghai and North China (Europe via Siberia)—Per LIANGHONG, 15th inst. 3 p.m.

(Tientsin-Pukow Service Shanghai Br. P.O. Tuesday, the 20th April.)

## FRIDAY 16th April.

Swatow, Amoy, Formosa via Amoy &amp; Takao—Per SOSEI MARU, 16th April, 9 a.m.

Philippine Islands, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and New Guinea via Thursday Is.—Per NIKKO MARU, 16th April, 3 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy &amp; Fookchow—Per HAI TAN, 16th inst. noon.

Shanghai &amp; N. China—Per OHOYANG, 16th inst. 4 p.m.

## SATURDAY, 17th April.

Hohow &amp; Haiphong—Per WENHONG, 17th April, 9 a.m.

Philippine Is.—Per YUENWANG, 17th inst. 9 a.m.

## SHIPPING NEWS.

## ARRIVED.

Derwent, Br. ss. 1562, J. Jenkins, 12th inst.—Saigon, 7th inst. Rice—Chinese.

Liangchow, Br. ss. 1220, Benson, 12th inst.—Shanghai, 9th inst. Gen.—B. &amp; S.

Kaifong, Br. ss. 987, J. B. Evans, 13th inst.—Haiphong, 14th inst. Gen.—B. &amp; S.

Yuensang, Br. ss. 1,128, P. H. Rolfe, 13th inst.—Manila, 10th inst. Gen.—J. M. &amp; Co.

Cheongshing, Br. ss. 1,261, V. Liddell, 13th inst.—Swatow, 12th inst. Gen.—J. M. &amp; Co.

## DEPARTED.

April 12.

Esang for Port Courbet, Anhui for Canton, Haiman for Fookchow via Amoy, Keemun for Yokohama via Shanghai, Chaipeing for Canton, Asuta Maru for Singapore, Tishun for Canton, Hangsang for Saigon, Iyo Maru for Bombay via Singapore, Dafen Maru for Bombay via Singapore, Sochu Maru for Canton.

## CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

April 13.

Tenyo Maru for San Francisco via S'pore, Liangchow for Canton, Haiyang for Fookchow via Swatow, Kwanchai for Shanghai, Cheongtu for Swatow via Bangkok, Anhui for Shanghai.

## PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Br. ss. "Liangchow, from Shanghai—Messrs Boyd, De Long, Ferguson, Magno and Chu Lai-chih.

Br. ss. Kaifong from Haiphong—Mr Carpenter.

## PASSENGERS EXPECTED.

Per P. & O. s.s. Nagoya, from London March 20.—Mr D. Muir, Mrs Hunter, Mr & Mrs A. R. Taylor and 2 children, Mr & Mrs Flesse and child, Mr S. Logan, Mr H. B. Phillips, Mr M. Murphy, Mr Rayner, Mr N. Keneally, Mr M. Costello, Mrs J. F. Cooke & party, Mr E. J. Post & Mr N. P. Johnson.

Per P. & O. s.s. Mooltan, from London March 20.—Mr J. C. Oswald, Mr A. E. Martin, Mr and Mrs P. C. Kell, Miss Orr & Mr J. Hooper.

Per P. & O. s.s. Egypt, from London April 17.—Mr A. H. Compton and Mr J. Poulton.

Per N. Y. K. s.s. Fushimi Maru, from London March 13.—Miss Ducie, Miss Pettitt, Mr and Mrs A. W. Hiron and two children, Mrs. Tucker, Mrs. Hall, Mr J. Muirhead, Mr G. Hall, Mr & Mrs Souza, de Macedo, Mrs Joseph and Mr Connolly.

Per N. Y. K. s.s. Hirano Maru, from London March 27.—Dr. W. Burke.

Per N. Y. K. s.s. Katori Maru, from London April 10.—Mr W. A. Sloan and Mr J. Slean.

## SUNDAY, 18th April.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Tamau—Per DALIN M., 18th inst. 9 a.m.

## MONDAY, 19th April.

Timor, Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand via Port Darwin, & New Guinea.—Per EMPIRE, 19th April, 2 p.m.

Japan via Yokohama—Per LAISANG, 19th April, 6 p.m.

## TUESDAY, 20th April.

Philippine Islands—Per CHINHUA, 19th inst. 3 p.m.

## SATURDAY, 24th April.

Philippine Is.—Per LOONGSANG, 24th April, 2 p.m.

## FRIDAY, 23rd April.

Strait, Burmah, Ceylon, Adolais, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe. (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail. The parcel mail will be closed on Thursday, 22nd April, at 5 p.m.—Per MALTA, 23rd April 11 a.m.

Oysters, Fresh, Fried or Stewed Finton Haddock, Kippers &c. ALEXANDRA CAFE.

## WEATHER REPORT.

On the 13th at 11.40—Pressure remains highest in the neighbourhood of the Bonins; it has decreased sharply over north and central Japan owing to the advance of the northern depression to the east of Hokkaido. A considerable increase has occurred over N. China, which is now covered by a fresh anticyclone. Slight to moderate increases are general over the remainder of the area except in the vicinity of Shanghai, where pressure has given way slightly owing to the existence of a shallow depression.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District.	Forecast.
1 Hongkong and Neighbourhood	E. & S.E. winds, moderate; fair to cloudy.
2 Formosa Channel	S. winds, light, probably freshening from N.E.
3 South coast of China between H.K. and Loochoo	The same as No. 1.
4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan	The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register.

13th April, a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer.	Thermometer.	Humidity.		Weather.
				D'Ron.	Forec.	
Wootock	7a	29.39				
Nemuro	6a	29.80		wnw	1	
Hakodate		29.80		w	2	
Tokio		29.83		s	1	
Kobe		29.83		sw	1	
Nagasaki		29.87		se	4	
Kyushu		30.02			0	
Oshima		30.02			0	
Naha		30.05		ssw	1	
Ishijima		30.05		s	3	
Benin Is.		30.16		wsW	1	